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In our mission to make *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* a showcase of the brightest Disney talent past and present, we've loaded this issue with just about everyone except Don Rosa, whose work typically graces the pages of *Uncle Scrooge,* and William Van Horn, who will return to *these* pages next month.

In Van Horn's absence, however, we not only have a great Daan Jippes story, but also a dinosaur story starring Mickey, drawn by William's son, Noel Van Horn. Noel is one of those quiet talents. It was once said of E.C. Segar, the creator of Popeye, that his cartooning style looked simple until you tried to copy it, and such is the case with Noel. It looks like it would be easy to draw like him, but just try it!

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—John Clark

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Donald Duck and NEIGHBOR JONES
DEEP UN-PACT
CREATED BY CARL BARKS
AS BIRDS HEAD SOUTH AT THE FIRST SIGN OF FALL, SO DO DUCKLINGS FLEE FOR GRANDMA'S AT A FEUD'S FIRST OVERTURE!
UNCA DONALD AND NEIGHBOR JONES ARE AT IT AGAIN!
THIS TIME MORE EARTH-SHATTERING THAN BEFORE!
WHAM!
BOOM
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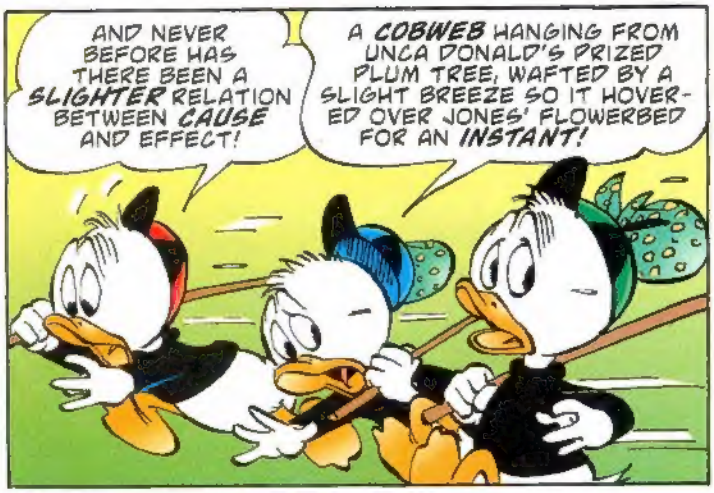
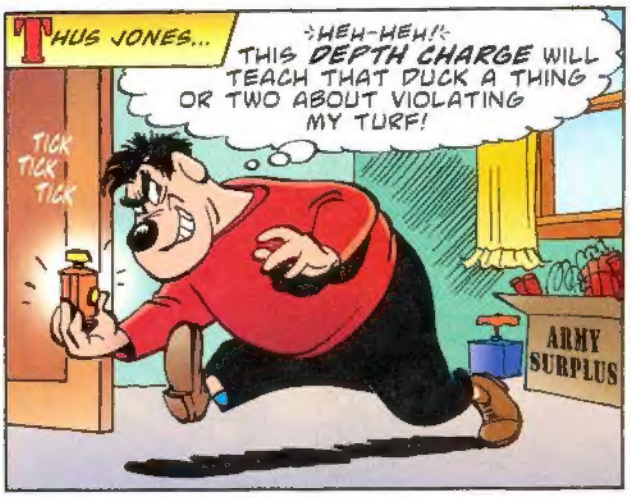
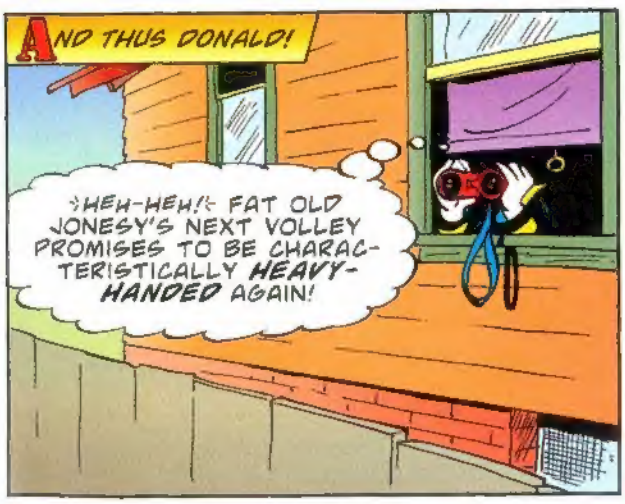
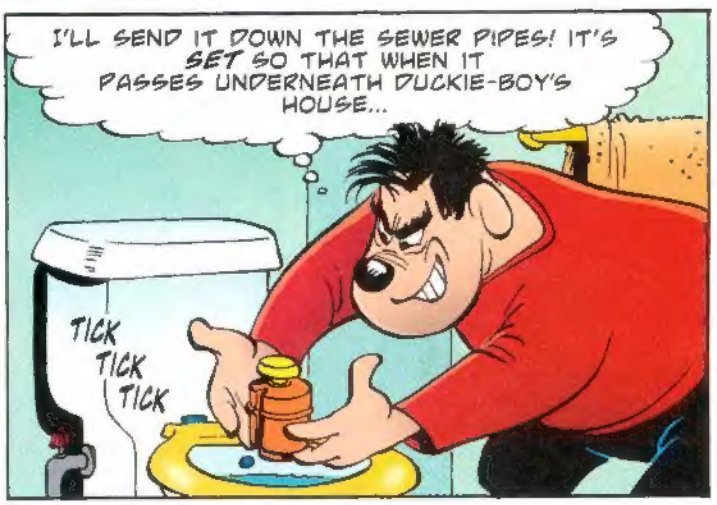

AND NEVER BEFORE HAS THERE BEEN A SLIGHTER RELATION BETWEEN CAUSE AND EFFECT!
A COBWEB HANGING FROM UNCA DONALD'S PRIZED PLUM TREE, WAFTED BY A SLIGHT BREEZE SO IT HOVERED OVER JONES' FLOWERBED FOR AN INSTANT!

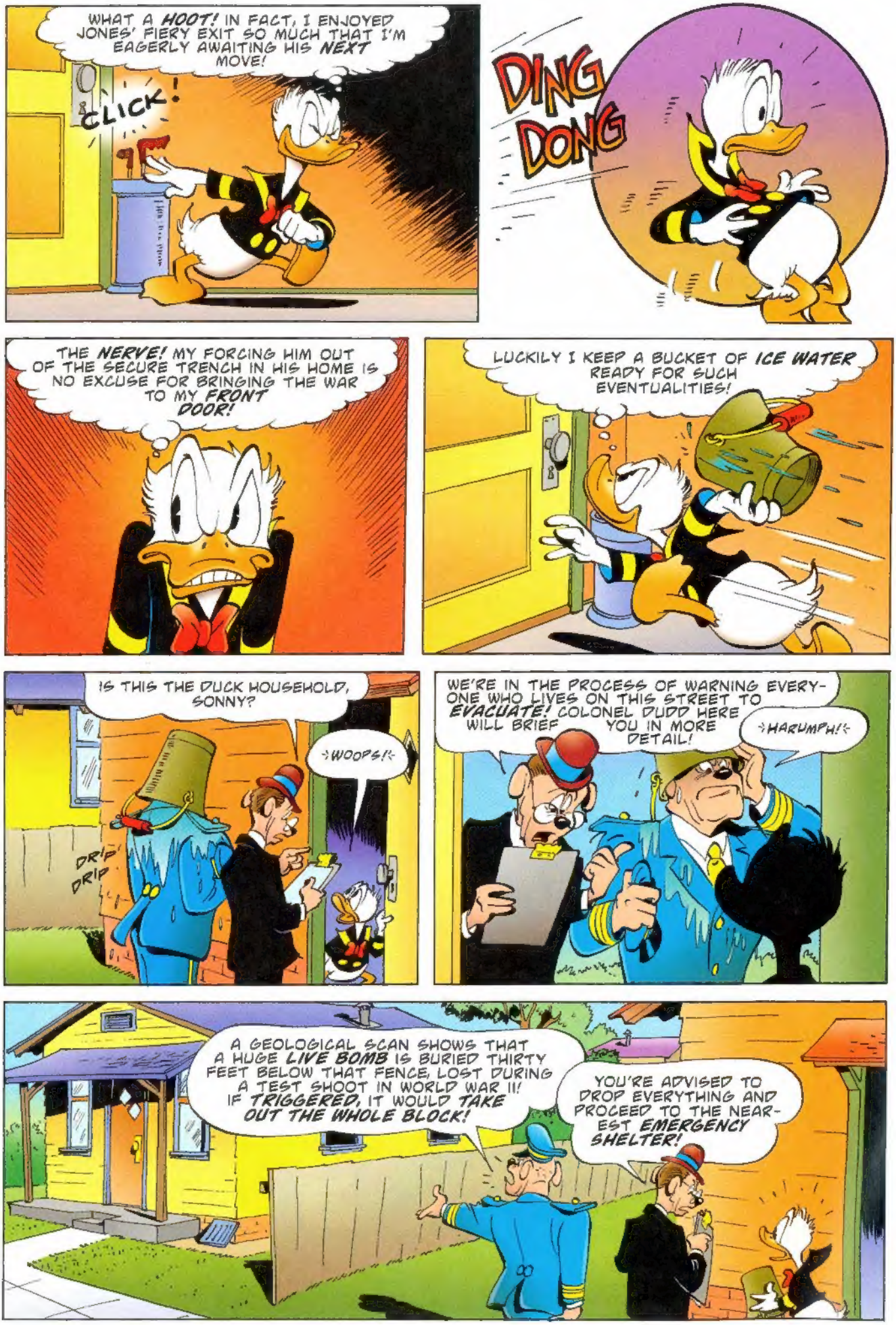

THUS JONES...
HEH-HEH! THIS DEPTH CHARGE WILL TEACH THAT DUCK A THING OR TWO ABOUT VIOLATING MY TURF!
TICK TICK TICK
ARMY SURPLUS

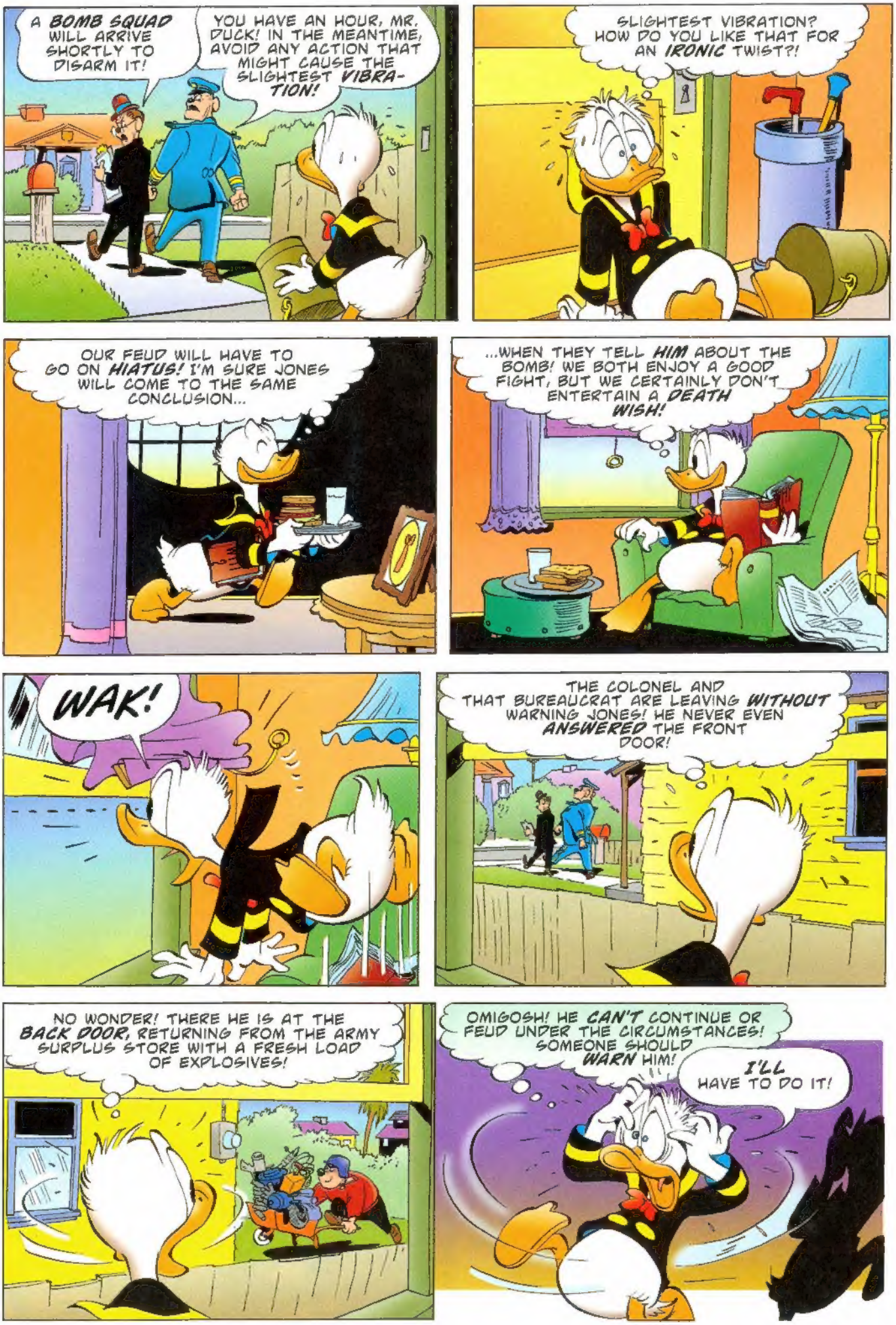

AND THUS DONALD!
HEH-HEH! FAT OLD JONESY'S NEXT VOLLEY PROMISES TO BE CHARACTERISTICALLY HEAVY-HANDED AGAIN!


I'LL SEND IT DOWN THE SEWER PIPES! IT'S SET SO THAT WHEN IT PASSES UNDERNEATH DUCKIE-BOY'S HOUSE...
TICK TICK TICK

FLUSH
...IT WILL DE-FEATHER HIM WITH BEAK-RATTLING SHOCKWAVES!
IF ONLY HE DIDN'T MAKE IT SO EASY TO PLUG HIS RUSH...
HEH-HEH!
QUICK-DRYING CEMENT PELLET
LUCKILY MY LAST ASSAULT BLEW THE LID OFF OF HIS PATIO DRAIN!
FUMP
SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE SUFFERING FROM A BAD CASE OF SEWER BACKUP NEIGHBOR! HAR! HAR!
TICK TICK TICK
VLOOSH!
BOOM
HEE-HEE! HE CAN LOB EXPLOSIVES AT ME ALL DAY, BUT MY CUNNING ALONE WILL INSURE THAT THEY BLOW UP RIGHT BACK IN HIS FACE!
I'LL BURY YOU WITH RELENTLESS FOUNDAGE, DUCK!
WHOMP
A SACK OF POTASSIUM?!? JONESY-BOY'S ARSENAL MUST BE RUNNING LOW!
FWID FWID
HUH? THOSE LOOK LIKE DISTRESS FLARES!

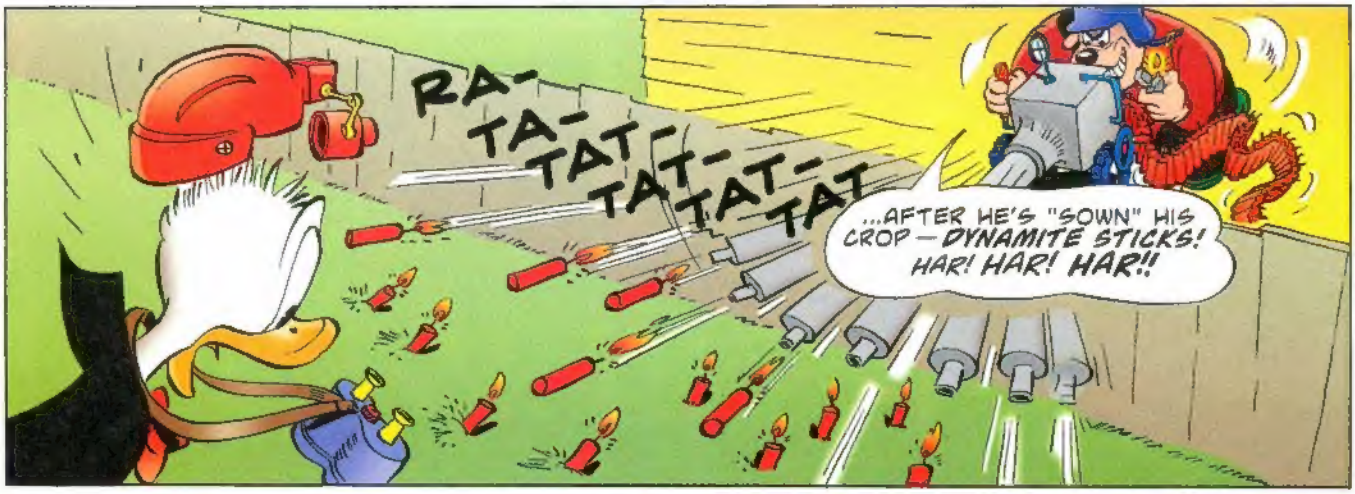
WHAT CAN THEY DO BESIDES SLIGHTLY BLACKEN MY CEILING?
SSHHHHH
SPUT! SPUTTER
DRIP
NO, WAIT! THE HEAT HAS SET OFF MY CEILING SPRINKLERS!
YEEK! IT DOESN'T TAKE A WOODCHUCK TO KNOW THAT POTASSIUM IGNITES ON CONTACT WITH WATER!
I'D BETTER TURN THE WATER OFF ALTOGETHER AND GIVE JONES NO MORE OPPORTUNITIES THERE!
HM... I JUST THOUGHT OF A PLACE WHERE THIS POTASSIUM CAN BE INSTANTLY OPERATIONAL!
CRASH!
KA-WOOSH
A HOUSE WHERE THE FLOORS ARE ALREADY FLOODED! HAW! HAW!
OW! OW! OW!

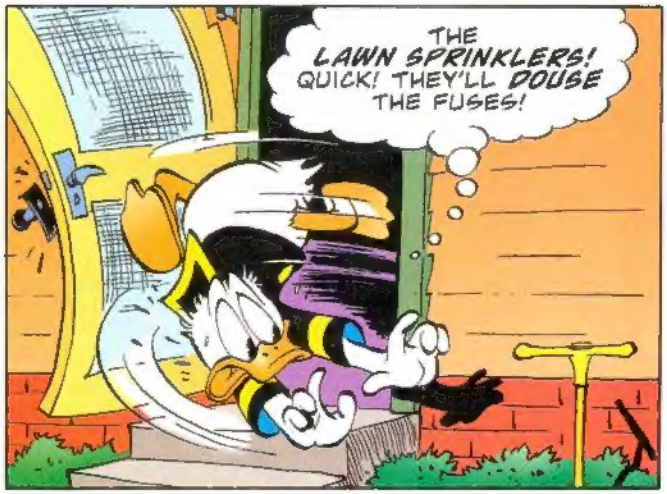

WHAT A HOOT! IN FACT, I ENJOYED JONES' FIERY EXIT SO MUCH THAT I'M EAGERLY AWAITING HIS NEXT MOVE!
CLICK!
DING DONG
THE NERVE! MY FORCING HIM OUT OF THE SECURE TRENCH IN HIS HOME IS NO EXCUSE FOR BRINGING THE WAR TO MY FRONT DOOR!
LUCKILY I KEEP A BUCKET OF ICE WATER READY FOR SUCH EVENTUALITIES!
IS THIS THE DUCK HOUSEHOLD, SONNY?
WOOPS!
DRIP DRIP
WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF WARNING EVERY-ONE WHO LIVES ON THIS STREET TO EVACUATE! COLONEL DUDD HERE WILL BRIEF YOU IN MORE DETAIL!
HARUMPH!
A GEOLOGICAL SCAN SHOWS THAT A HUGE LIVE BOMB IS BURIED THIRTY FEET BELOW THAT FENCE, LOST DURING A TEST SHOOT IN WORLD WAR II! IF TRIGGERED, IT WOULD TAKE OUT THE WHOLE BLOCK!
YOU'RE ADVISED TO DROP EVERYTHING AND PROCEED TO THE NEAR-EST EMERGENCY SHELTER!


A BOMB SQUAD WILL ARRIVE SHORTLY TO DISARM IT!
YOU HAVE AN HOUR, MR. DUCK! IN THE MEANTIME, AVOID ANY ACTION THAT MIGHT CAUSE THE SLIGHTEST VIBRATION!
SLIGHTEST VIBRATION? HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT FOR AN IRONIC TWIST?!
OUR FEUD WILL HAVE TO GO ON HIATUS! I'M SURE JONES WILL COME TO THE SAME CONCLUSION...
...WHEN THEY TELL HIM ABOUT THE BOMB! WE BOTH ENJOY A GOOD FIGHT, BUT WE CERTAINLY DON'T ENTERTAIN A DEATH WISH!
WAK!
THE COLONEL AND THAT BUREAUCRAT ARE LEAVING WITHOUT WARNING JONES! HE NEVER EVEN ANSWERED THE FRONT DOOR!
NO WONDER! THERE HE IS AT THE BACK DOOR, RETURNING FROM THE ARMY SURPLUS STORE WITH A FRESH LOAD OF EXPLOSIVES!
OMIGOSH! HE CAN'T CONTINUE OR FEUD UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES! SOMEONE SHOULD WARN HIM!
I'LL HAVE TO DO IT!

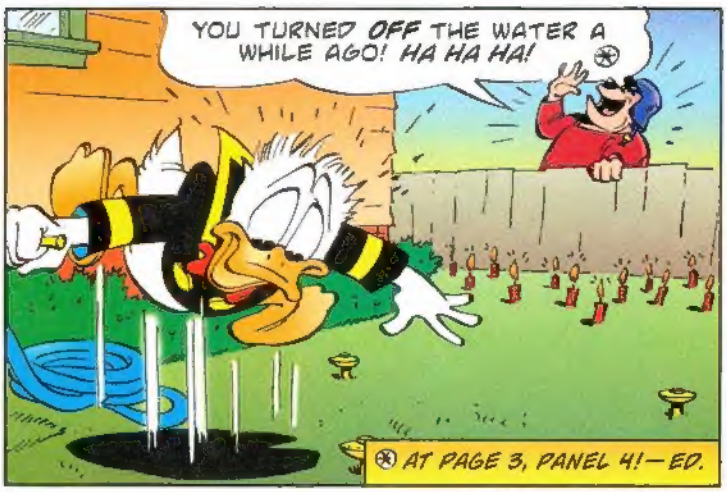
JONES, THERE'S SOMETHING YOU NEED TO KNOW! THE GOVERNMENT WAS JUST BY TO WARN US, BUT YOU WEREN'T HOME SO I'LL —
?
YOU'RE NOT FIGHTING FAIR, DUCK! REMEMBER, WE DON'T FEUD WITH WORDS, BUT WITH TREMORS!
TICK TICK TICK
THAT PADDED HELMET OBVIOUSLY PREVENTED HIM FROM HEARING A WORD I SAID!
PARTY FAVORS
TICK TICK
WHICH MEANS I'LL HAVE TO COMMUNICATE VISUALLY!
BOOM
IF THAT GOT HIS ATTENTION, THIS MESSAGE SHOULD DO THE TRICK!
YOU'RE LIVING ON TOP OF A BOMB!
IT COULDN'T BE ANY MORE CONCISE AND CLEAR!
WHOOSH
YOU'RE
OH, YEAH ?!!

HEY! HE'S GOT A VIBRATING MOBILE PHONE! MAYBE HE'LL TAKE HIS HELMET OFF TO ANSWER IT!
BEEP BEEP BEEP
SO I'M A BUM, HUH? WELL, SAMPLE THIS!
KA-RUMM
LISTEN, JONES! I ONLY CALLED YOU TO—DRAT! HE HUNG UP!
BEEP!
THERE'S OBVIOUSLY NO COMMUNICATING WITH HIM! SO NOW, MORE THAN EVER, I NEED TO ANTICIPATE HIS EVERY ASSAULT...
...IN ORDER TO MUFFLE THEIR IMPACT!
YOU'RE GETTING SOFT, DUCKIE, IF THE BEST YOU CAN DO IS GIVE ME AN ITCH THROUGH MY MOBILE PHONE!
WELL, WATCH HOW A MASTER FEUDER "REAPS" SOME REAL VIBRATION...


RA-TA-TAT-TAT-TAT-TAT
...AFTER HE'S "SOWN" HIS CROP — DYNAMITE STICKS! HAR! HAR! HAR!!


THE LAWN SPRINKLERS! QUICK! THEY'LL DOUSE THE FUSES!

?
HAR HAR HAR! THOSE SHORT FUSES GO WITH YOUR SHORT MEMORY, DUCK!


YOU TURNED OFF THE WATER A WHILE AGO! HA HA HA!
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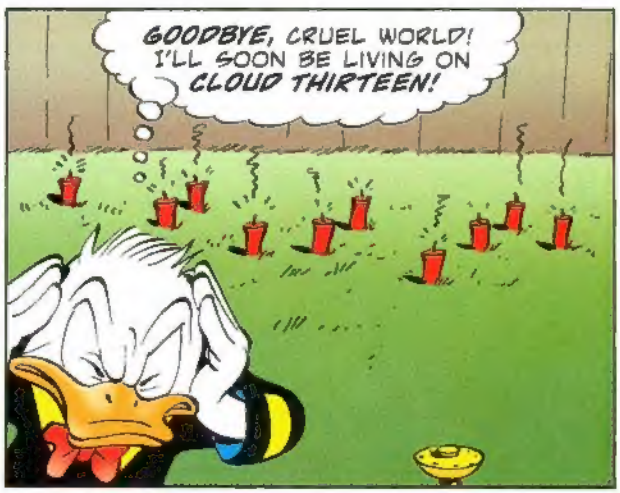
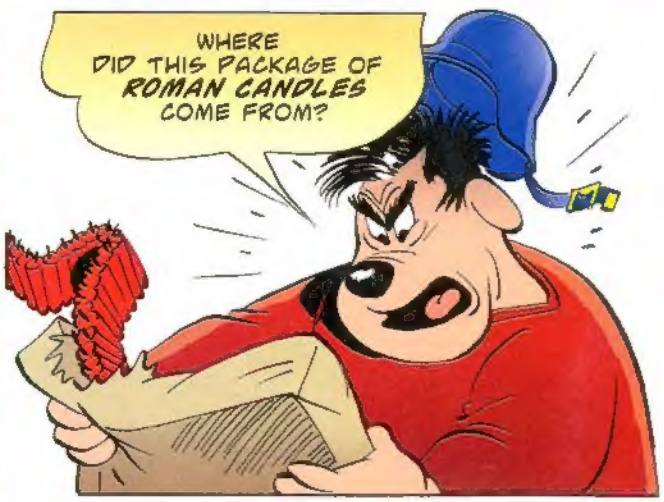
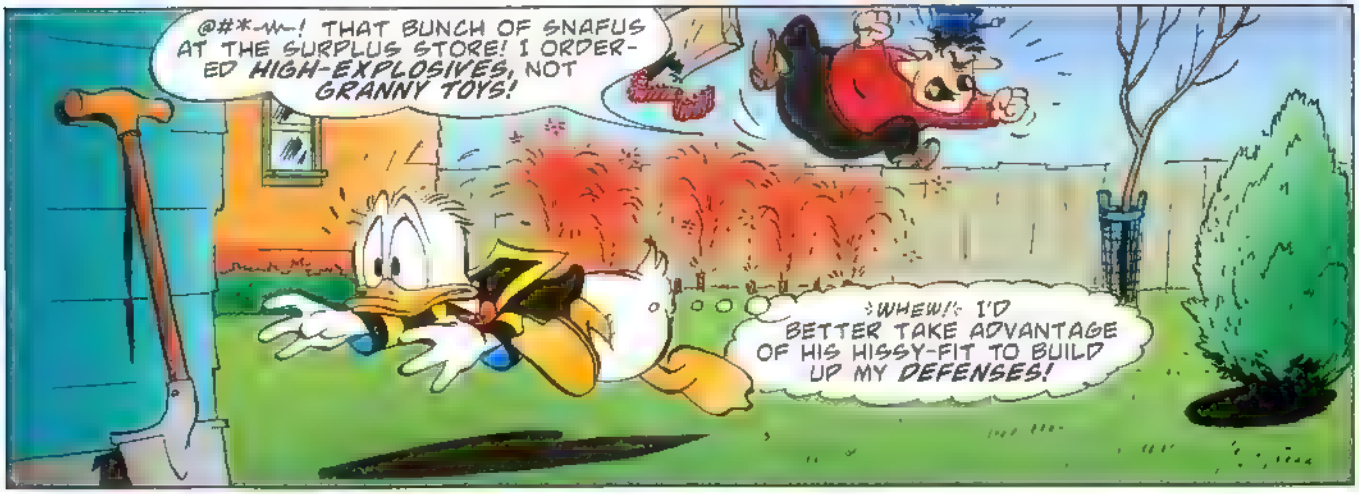
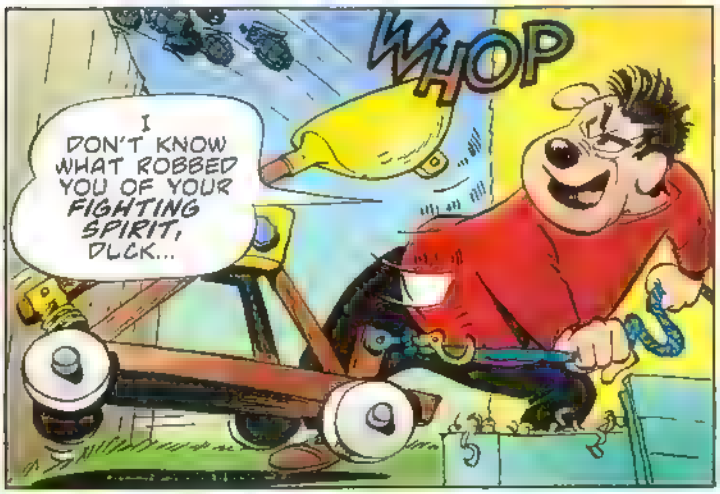
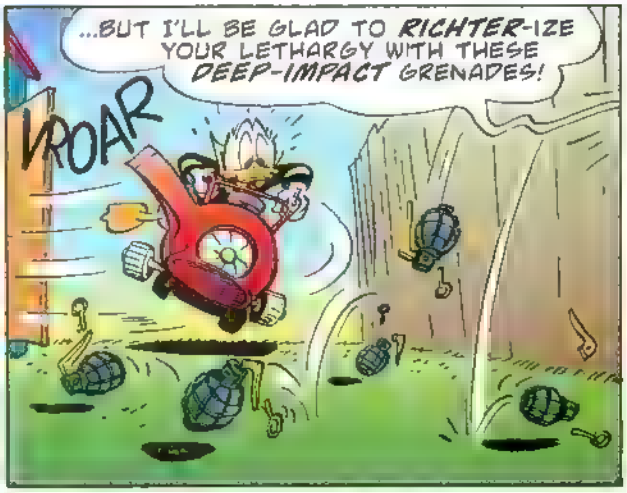

GOODBYE, CRUEL WORLD! I'LL SOON BE LIVING ON CLOUD THIRTEEN!

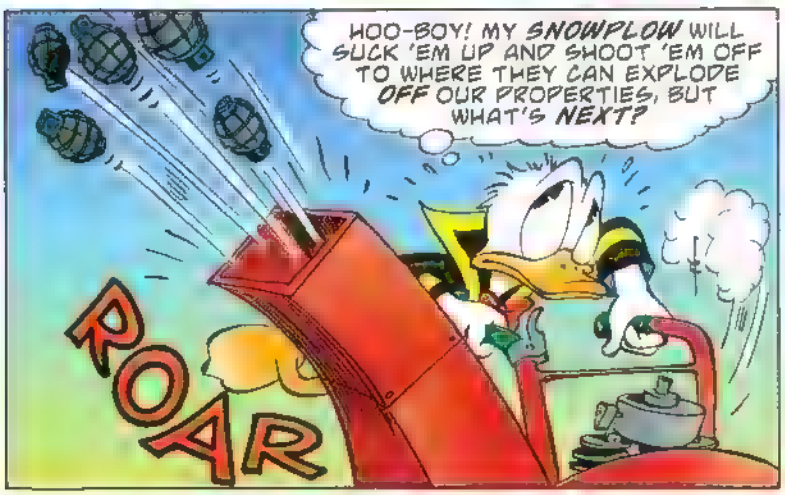
PSHHHHHHHHHH
?
HEY! WHAT GIVES?!


WHERE DID THIS PACKAGE OF ROMAN CANDLES COME FROM?

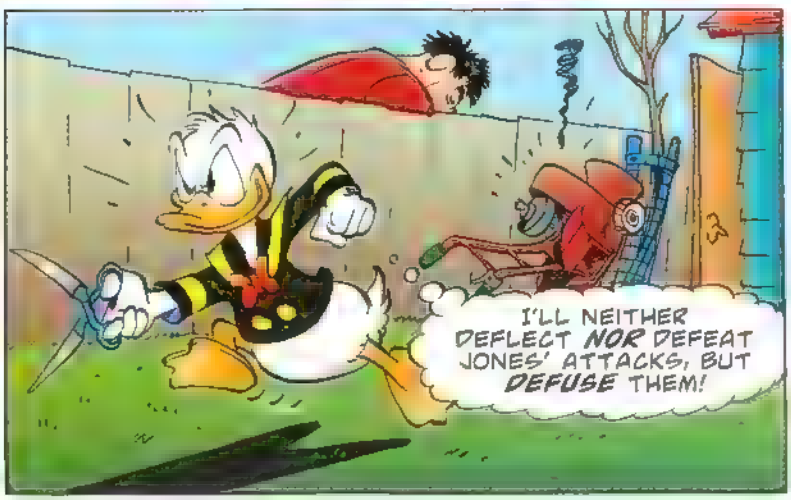

@#*-w-! THAT BUNCH OF SNAFUS AT THE SURPLUS STORE! I ORDERED HIGH-EXPLOSIVES, NOT GRANNY TOYS!
:WHEW!: I'D BETTER TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS HISSY-FIT TO BUILD UP MY DEFENSES!

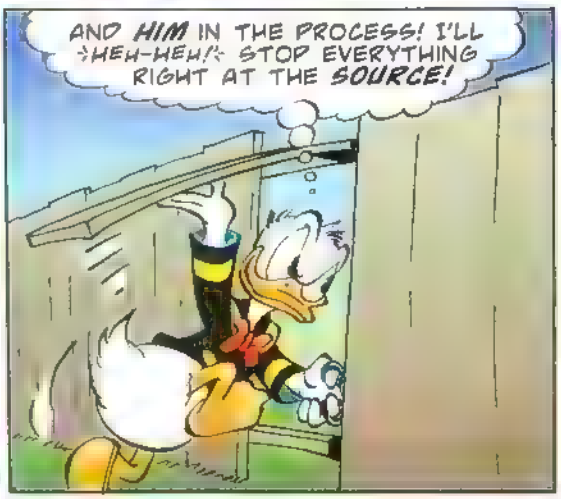

WHOP
I DON'T KNOW WHAT ROBBED YOU OF YOUR FIGHTING SPIRIT, DUCK...


...BUT I'LL BE GLAD TO RICHTER-IZE YOUR LETHARGY WITH THESE DEEP-IMPACT GRENADES!
ROAR


HOO-BOY! MY SNOWPLOW WILL SUCK 'EM UP AND SHOOT 'EM OFF TO WHERE THEY CAN EXPLODE OFF OUR PROPERTIES, BUT WHAT'S NEXT?
ROAR

NOTHING! NO MORE! THAT'S WHAT'S NEXT!


I'LL NEITHER DEFLECT NOR DEFEAT JONES' ATTACKS, BUT DEFUSE THEM!


AND HIM IN THE PROCESS! I'LL :HEH-HEH!: STOP EVERYTHING RIGHT AT THE SOURCE!

OH, DONNY BOY! I SAW SOMETHING REAL NEAT I THINK I'LL PICK UP ON MY NEXT VISIT TO THE SURPLUS STORE!
LI'L THUNDER DRUM
A LONG TOM CANNON! IT'LL PUT SO MANY HOLES IN YOUR PROPERTY...
...THAT EVEN THE GOPHERS WON'T LIKE THE DRAFT! HAR HAR HAR!
POKE! POKE! POKE!
I THINK NOT, JONESY OL' PAL!
NO... NO... PLEASE!!! I'M BEGGING YOU, DUCK—NOT MY CREDIT CARD!
SNIP!
⸗BOO-HOO-HOO-!⸗ NOW I'LL NEVER COLLECT ENOUGH PURCHASE POINTS TO GET A FREE ARMY SURPLUS TANK! ⸗SOB!⸗
⸗AHEM!⸗ MR. DUCK, WE'D LIKE A WORD WITH YOU!
WE'RE YOUR NEIGHBORS, FROM THE STREET BEHIND YOU..

...AND WE BELIEVE THESE ARE ALL RIGHTFULLY YOURS!
PULL
TICK TICK
PULL
NOOOOO!!!
LATER!
OUR TIMING SEEMS TO BE ABOUT RIGHT, MEN!
YES, AND THE CRATER'S ONLY A LITTLE DEEPER THAN LAST TIME!
GROAN! LOOKS LIKE THE BIG ONE GOT US AFTER ALL, HUH, JONE — OH! HELLO, BOYS!
GROAN!
WELL, WE'RE JUST RELIEVED THAT YOU AND NEIGHBOR JONES HAVE STRUCK A TRUCE!
CAN WE GO BACK IN NOW?
AARGH! YOU'VE DONE IT AGAIN, DUCK...
...LEFT ANOTHER PIECE OF YOUR JUNK LYING AROUND TO CLUTTER UP MY PROPERTY!
BU... BU... BU... BU... BU...
UNCA DONALD AND NEIGHBOR JONES... SIGH!
THEY'RE JUST INCAPABLE OF HEARING EACH OTHER OUT!
AND WHY SHOULDN'T I RETURN IT TO ITS RIGHTFUL OWNER'S SKULL?!?
BECAUSE IT'S A — HELLO? DRAT! THE BATTERY'S DEAD AGA.N' DARN THESE MOBILE PHONES!
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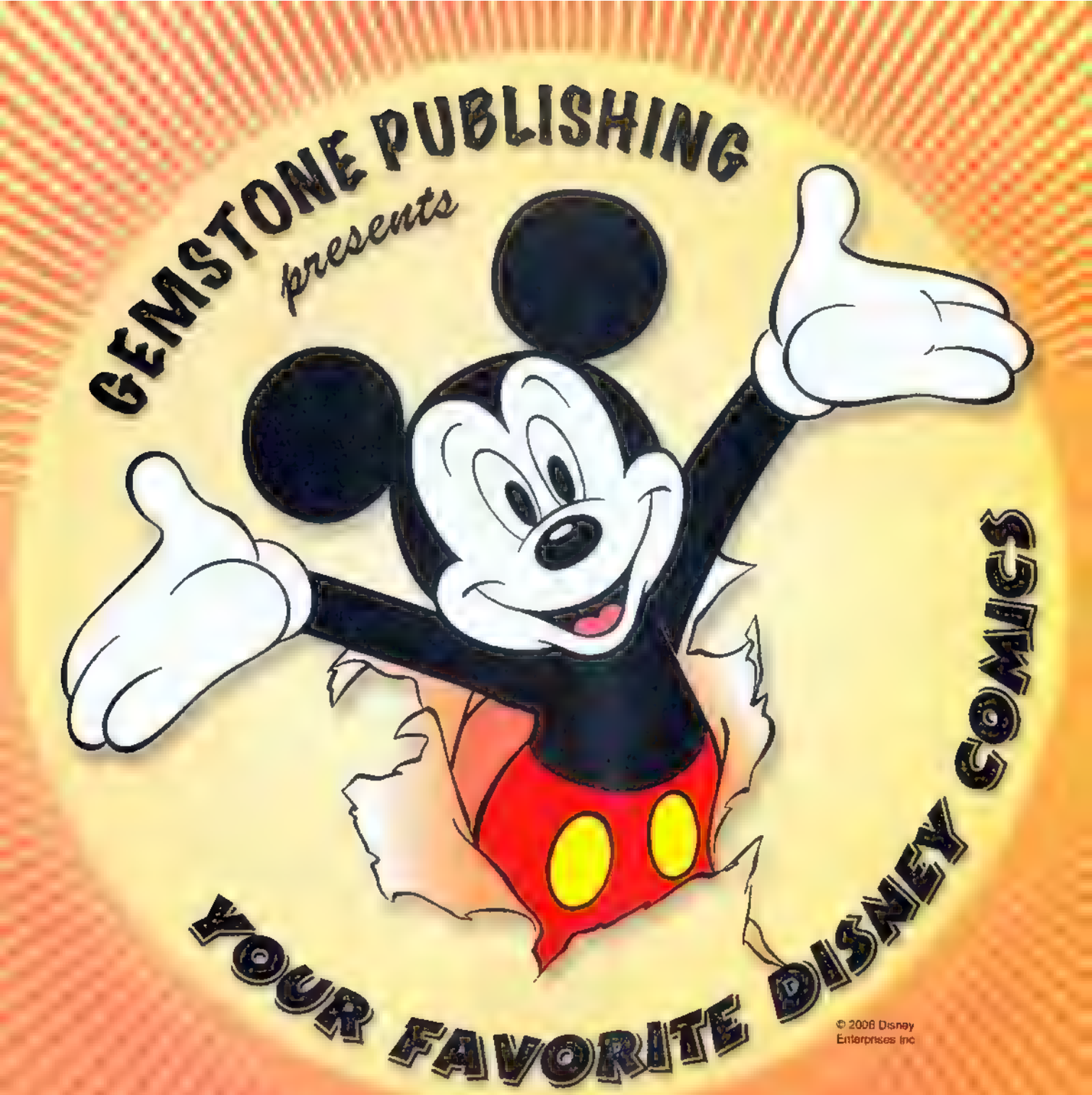

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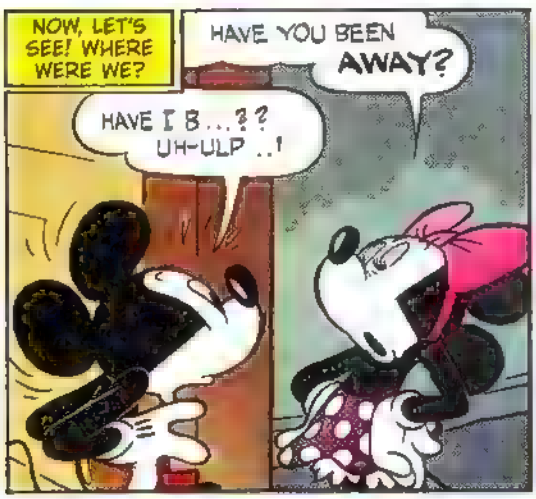
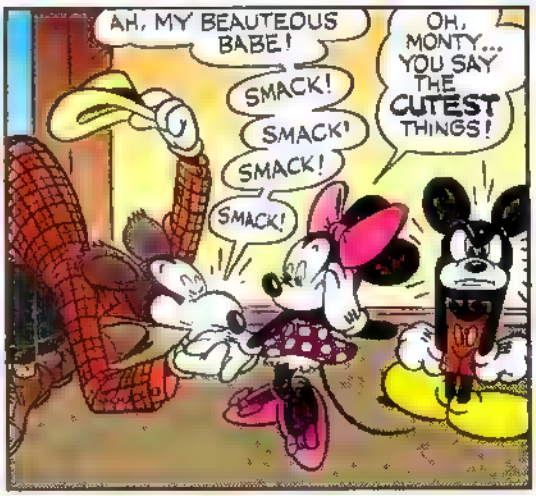


MICKEY **WAS** AWAY... ON AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPEDITION WITH GOOFY!

HE ASSUMED MINNIE WOULD SPEND HIS WEEKS OF ABSENCE PINING FOR HIS RETURN!

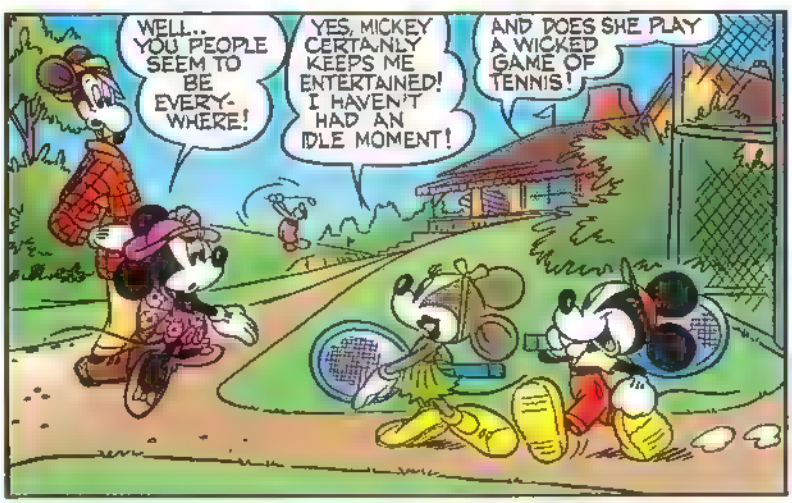
LOOKS LIKE SHE SPENT THE TIME LANDING A NEW BOYFRIEND INSTEAD...



BUT MICKEY BOUNCES BACK!

FIRST HE MAKES SOME AS-YET-UNEXPLAINED SECRET PLANS!

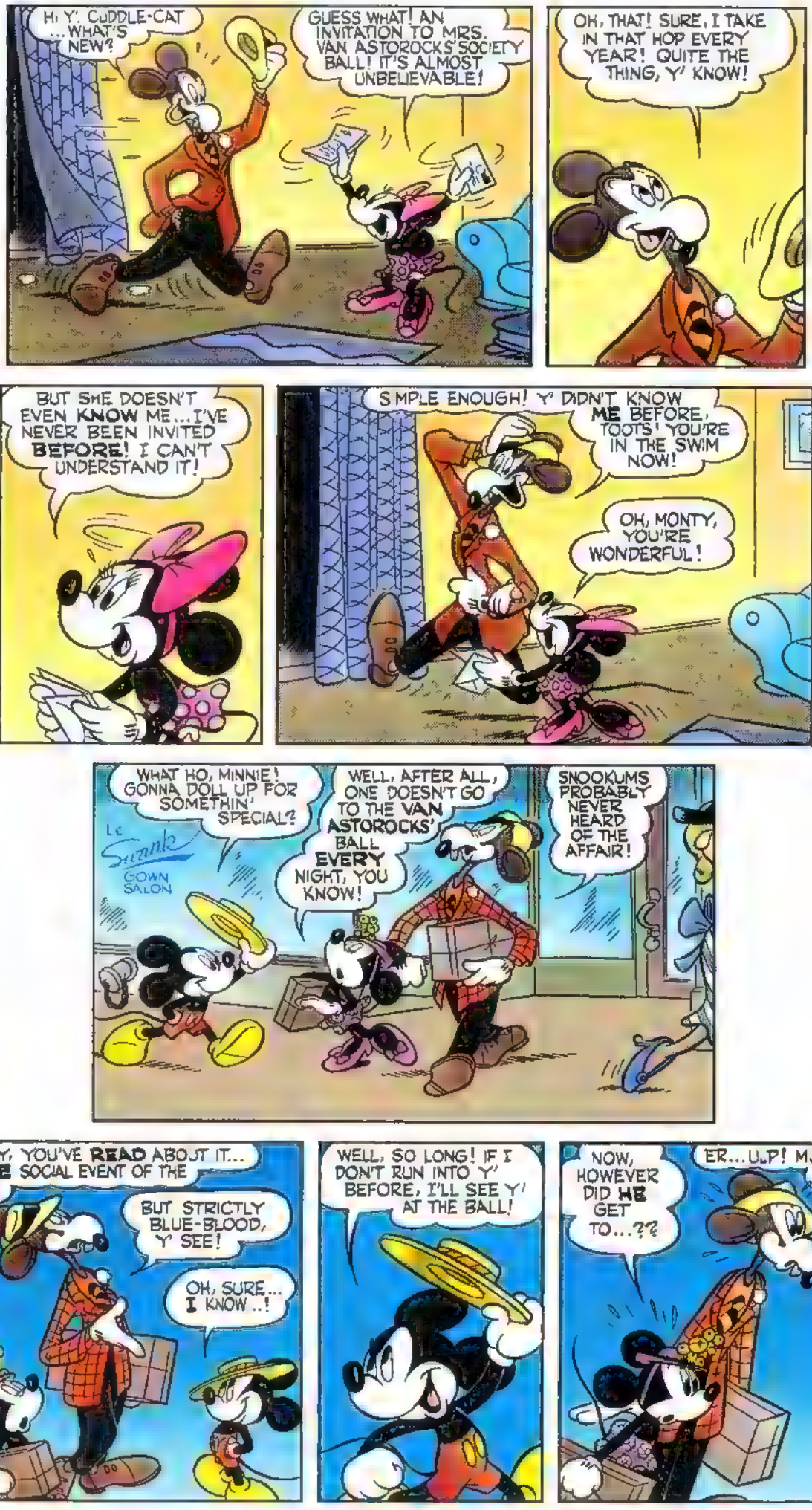
NEXT HE GETS A NEW "STEADY," MILLICENT VAN GILT-MOUSE... APPARENTLY A VISITING HIGH SOCIETY BELLE!


WELL... YOU PEOPLE SEEM TO BE EVERY-WHERE!
YES, MICKEY CERTAINLY KEEPS ME ENTERTAINED! I HAVEN'T HAD AN IDLE MOMENT!
AND DOES SHE PLAY A WICKED GAME OF TENNIS!

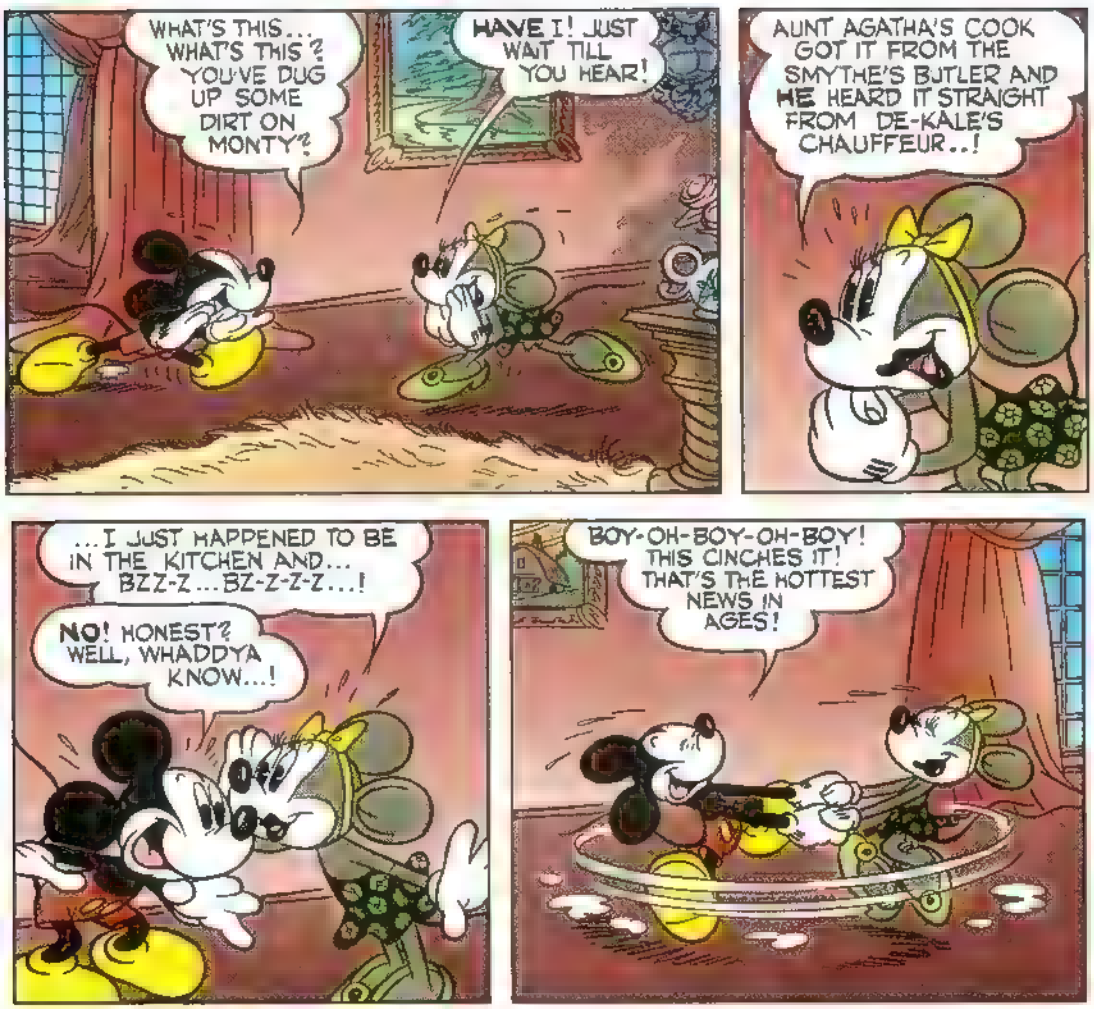
MICKEY AND MILLICENT QUICKLY MAKE A NAME FOR THEMSELVES!

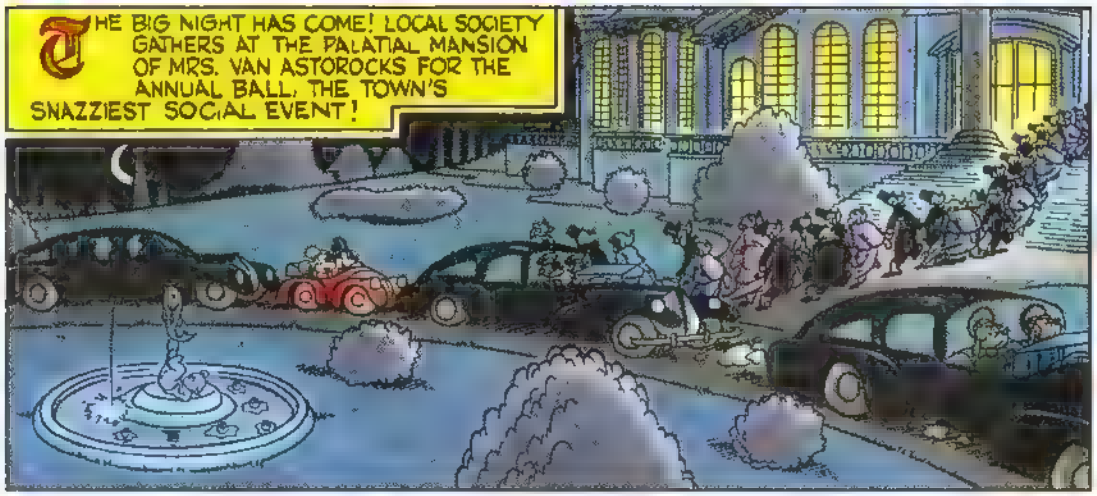
THEY'VE JUST BEEN INVITED TO AN EXCLUSIVE HIGHBROW BALL!

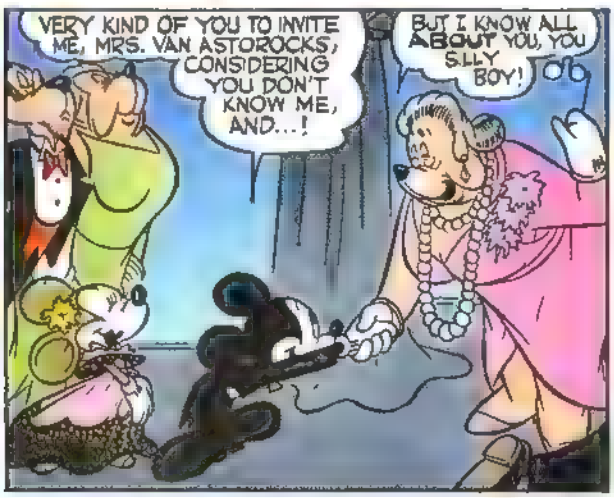
BUT **SO** HAS ***ANOTHER*** UP-AND-COMING YOUNG COUPLE...

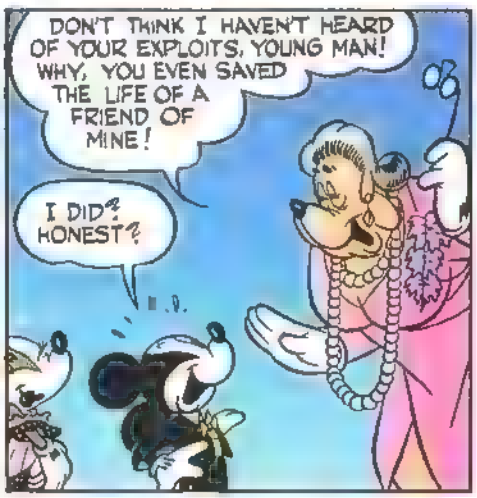

HI Y', CUDDLE-CAT ...WHAT'S NEW?
GUESS WHAT! AN INVITATION TO MRS. VAN ASTOROCKS' SOCIETY BALL! IT'S ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE!
OH, THAT! SURE, I TAKE IN THAT HOP EVERY YEAR! QUITE THE THING, Y' KNOW!
BUT SHE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW ME...I'VE NEVER BEEN INVITED BEFORE! I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT!
S MPLE ENOUGH! Y' DIDN'T KNOW ME BEFORE, TOOTS! YOU'RE IN THE SWIM NOW!
OH, MONTY, YOU'RE WONDERFUL!
WHAT HO, MINNIE! GONNA DOLL UP FOR SOMETHIN' SPECIAL?
Le Swank GOWN SALON
WELL, AFTER ALL, ONE DOESN'T GO TO THE VAN ASTOROCKS' BALL EVERY NIGHT, YOU KNOW!
SNOOKUMS PROBABLY NEVER HEARD OF THE AFFAIR!
SURELY, YOU'VE READ ABOUT IT... IT'S THE SOCIAL EVENT OF THE SEASON!
BUT STRICTLY BLUE-BLOOD, Y' SEE!
OH, SURE... I KNOW..!
WELL, SO LONG! IF I DON'T RUN INTO Y' BEFORE, I'LL SEE Y' AT THE BALL!
NOW, HOWEVER DID HE GET TO...??
ER...ULP! MUST BE... SOME... MIS-TAKE!

I'D JUST LIKE TO KNOW HOW MICKEY MOUSE GOT INVITED TO THE VAN ASTOROCKS' BALL! MONTY SAYS IT'S TERRIBLY EXCLUSIVE!
WHIZZ RAZOR
Bugle
WELL! HOW DO YOU DO, DARLING!
MY DEAR! HOW CHARMING YOU LOOK! MME. ZJZJ IS REALLY WONDERFUL... I'VE HEARD!
MME
SALON DE BEAUTE
YES, SHE'S VERY GOOD!
I SHOULD GO IN, MYSELF, BUT I COULDN'T BE BOTHERED, REALLY!
SO GLAD TO HAVE SEEN YOU!
THANK YOU... GOOD-BYE!
NOW I KNOW HOW MICKEY GOT HIS INVITATION! THAT SNIP, MILLICENT...!
...AND IF SHE THINKS SHE'S GOING TO OUT-SHINE ME...!!
GOSH, I ALMOST WISH I WASN'T GOIN' TO THAT BALL TOMORROW! SUPPOSE I PULL A SOCAL BONER OF SOME KIND!
LET'S SEE, NOW... "AH, MRS VAN ASTOROCKS, DELIGHTFUL PLACE YOU HAVE HERE!" HECK, NO.. THAT'S TOO CORNY!
"PERFECTLY CHARMING OF YOU TO ASK ME," ...I MEAN . "DELIGHTED TO BE HERE!"
AW, SHUCKS... SOUNDS TOO MUCH LIKE MONTY'S LINE OF TRIPE! GUESS I'LL JUST HAFTA BE MYSELF!
OH, HELLO, MILLICENT!
MICKEY, CAN YOU COME RIGHT OVER? I'VE GOT SOMETHING PRICELESS ON MONTY!
OH, BOY! I'M HALF-WAY THERE!

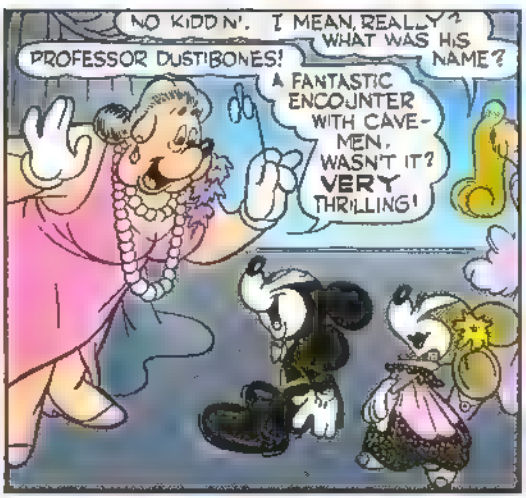

WHAT'S THIS... WHAT'S THIS? YOU'VE DUG UP SOME DIRT ON MONTY?
HAVE I! JUST WAIT TILL YOU HEAR!
AUNT AGATHA'S COOK GOT IT FROM THE SMYTHE'S BUTLER AND HE HEARD IT STRAIGHT FROM DE-KALE'S CHAUFFEUR..!
...I JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN THE KITCHEN AND... BZZ-Z...BZ-Z-Z-Z...!
NO! HONEST? WELL, WHADDYA KNOW...!
BOY-OH-BOY-OH-BOY! THIS CINCHES IT! THAT'S THE HOTTEST NEWS IN AGES!
OH, BOY! HAVE I FINALLY GOT THE GOODS ON THAT GUY, MONTY! AND YOU CAN HELP ME PUT IT OVER!
YEAH? HOW COME?
Y' KNOW THE BIG SOCIETY BALL AT THE VAN ASTOROCKS' TONIGHT?
YEH, I HEERED OF IT, BUT I AIN'T GO.N'! THAT KINDER LIFE DON'T APPEAL TO ME!
LISTEN... HERE'S ALL Y' HAFTA DO... BZZ-Z... BZ-Z-Z...!
HAW-HAW-HAW! YUH KIN COUNT ON ME, MICKEY! AND WILL THAT TERMITE'S FACE GIT RED! HAW-HAW-HAW!

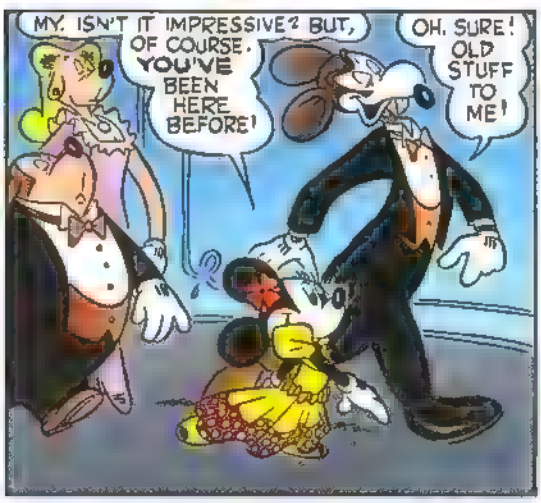

THE BIG NIGHT HAS COME! LOCAL SOCIETY GATHERS AT THE PALATIAL MANSION OF MRS. VAN ASTOROCKS FOR THE ANNUAL BALL, THE TOWN'S SNAZZIEST SOCIAL EVENT!

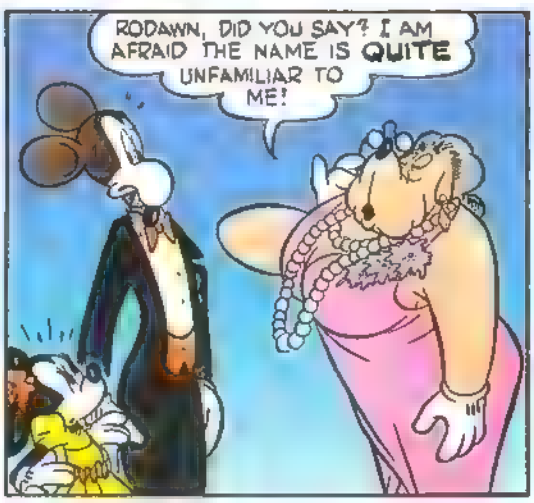




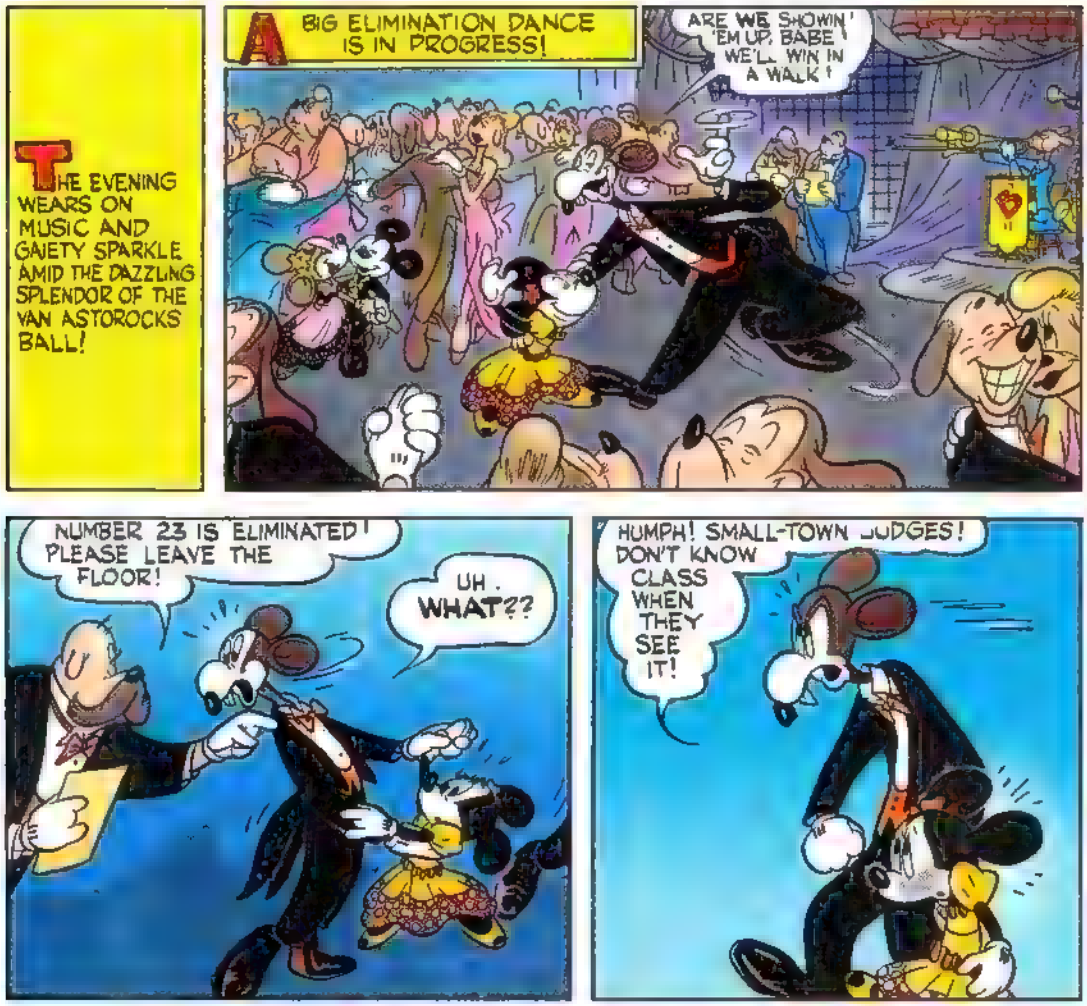
MICKEY IS SURPRISED TO GET A WARM RECEPTION FROM MRS VAN ASTOROCKS, WHO TELLS HIM HE ONCE SAVED THE LIFE OF A FR END!


NO KIDD N'. I MEAN, REALLY? WHAT WAS HIS NAME?
PROFESSOR DUSTIBONES!
A FANTASTIC ENCOUNTER WITH CAVE-MEN, WASN'T IT? VERY THRILLING!



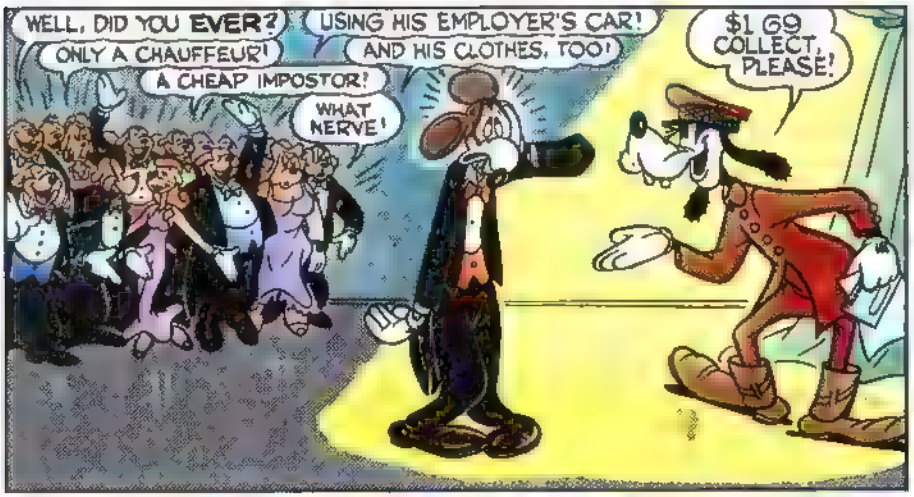


OUR HOSTESS DIDN'T SEEM EXACTLY CORDIAL, CONSIDERING THAT YOU KNOW HER SO WELL!
CONFIDENTIALLY, SHE HAS SPELLS.. ..MIND SORT OF GOES BLANK, Y' KNOW!
AH, THERE'S J. P. GROGAN, THE BIG FINANCIER... OLD FRIEND OF MINE!
HELLO, THERE, J. P., HOW'S TRICKS?
EH?
FINE... BUTCH, OLD BOY!
ECCENTRIC CODGER, OLD J P.! DIDN'T SEEM TO REMEMBER ME!
NO. HE MUST BE LIKE MRS VAN ASTOROCKS ...HIS MIND GOES BLANK, TOO!
I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER HOW MONTY GOT OUR INVITATIONS! NO ONE SEEMS TO KNOW HIM!
HELLO, THERE! HAVING A GOOD TIME?
HOT AS A FIRECRACKER!
VERY NICE, THANK YOU!
I DON'T FEEL EXACTLY AT HOME, MYSELF!
..BUT, OF COURSE, NONE OF US WOULD EVEN HAVE BEEN INVITED, IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR MILLICENT!


THE EVENING WEARS ON MUSIC AND GAIETY SPARKLE AMID THE DAZZLING SPLENDOR OF THE VAN ASTOROCKS BALL!
A BIG ELIMINATION DANCE IS IN PROGRESS!
ARE WE SHOWIN' 'EM UP, BABE! WE'LL WIN IN A WALK!
NUMBER 23 IS ELIMINATED! PLEASE LEAVE THE FLOOR!
UH. WHAT??
HUMPH! SMALL-TOWN JUDGES! DON'T KNOW CLASS WHEN THEY SEE IT!
ONE BY ONE THE CONTESTANTS ARE DROPPED OUT OF THE ELIMINATION DANCE, UNTIL ONLY TWO COUPLES ARE LEFT ON THE FLOOR!
CLAP CLAP CLAP
GOSH, IMAGINE ME GETTING THIS FAR! IT WAS SWELL OF YOU TO TEACH ME THAT NEW STEP!
OH, IT WAS NOTHING! YOU CAUGHT ON SO QUICKLY!
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP!!
THE WINNERS! MISS MILLICENT VAN GILT-MOUSE AND MR. MICKEY MOUSE!
PHOOEY! ALL PREARRANGED!

MICKEY AND HIS PARTNER, MILLICENT, HAVE JUST WON THE ELIMINATION DANCE, THE BIGGEST EVENT OF THE SOCIETY BALL!
IS THAT MONTY BURNT UP OVER YOU STEALING HIS THUNDER!
THANKS TO YOU, PAL!
A FINE EVENING I'M HAVING! IT'S HUMILIATING!
TAKE IT EASY! I'LL SHOW UP THESE STUFFED SHIRTS YET!
THE OLD BEAN CLICKS! I'M GOIN' TO SEE THE ENTERTAINMENT CHAIRMAN!
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! INTRODUCING MR. MONTMORENCY RODAWN, WHO WILL ENTERTAIN WITH A BRIEF DEMONSTRATION OF LEGERDEMAIN!
PAT! PAT! PAT! PAT! PAT!
..PRESTO!
MY WORD!
MEANWHILE, AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE!
HOWDY, CAP! I GOT A TELYGRAM HERE FER MONTM'RENCY RODENT!
VERY WELL, MY MAN, I SHALL DELIVER IT!
KIN YUH SING?
WHY, NO... BUT ..??
THEN, MAKE WAY FER A MAN WHO KIN...IT'S A SINGIN' TELEGRAM!

IN THE VAN ASTOROCKS' BALLROOM MONTY IS ENTERTAINING THE GUESTS WITH FEATS OF MAGIC!
MR. RODENT, I PERSOOM?
RODAWN, STUPID. ...RODAWN! IF YOU HAVE A WIRE, GIVE IT TO ME!
HAW! HAW! I SURE WILL!
ONE MOMENT, PLEASE!
MI- MI- MI- MI...!
IN THE MIDST OF MONTY'S SUCCESS AS AN AMATEUR MAGICIAN, HIS ACT IS INTERRUPTED BY THE ARRIVAL OF A SINGING TELEGRAM!
MONTMORENCY RODENT: YOU SURE ARE IN A JAM! YOUR BOSS IS COMING HOME TONIGHT, SO TAKE IT ON THE LAM!
BRING BACK HIS AUTO AND HIS CLOTHES... RETURN HIS MONEY, TOO, FOR IF HE EVER FINDS IT OUT, IT'S JUST TOO BAD FOR YOU! YOU'RE JUST A CHAUFFEUR HERE, YOU KNOW... GET ON THE JOB, YOU CROOK!
AND FOR THIS TIMELY WARNING... KISS MEHITABEL, THE COOK!
THAT'LL BE $1.69, COLLECT, PLEASE!

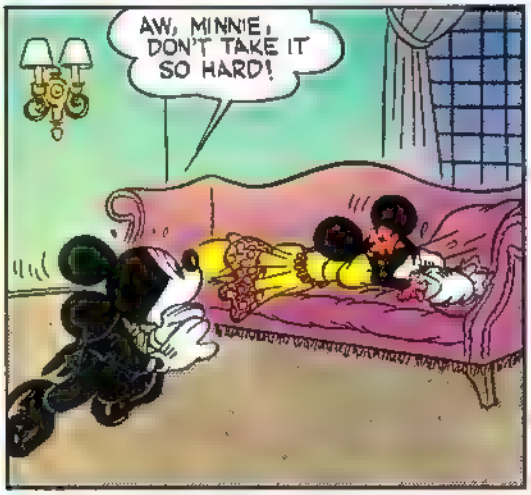

WELL, DID YOU EVER?
USING HIS EMPLOYER'S CAR!
ONLY A CHAUFFEUR!
AND HIS CLOTHES, TOO!
A CHEAP IMPOSTOR!
WHAT NERVE!
$1.69 COLLECT, PLEASE!

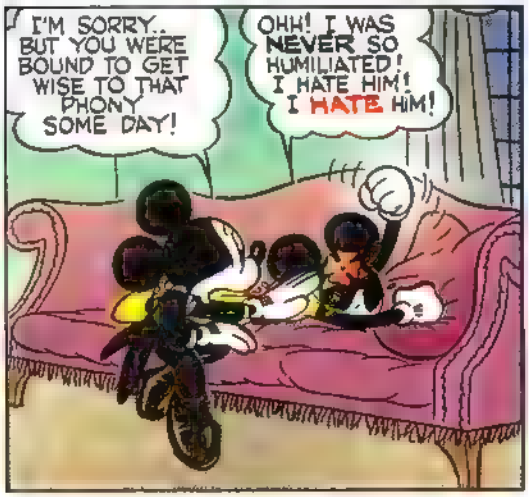
HA-HA HA HA
HA HA HA
HA HA HA HA
HA HA HA HA!

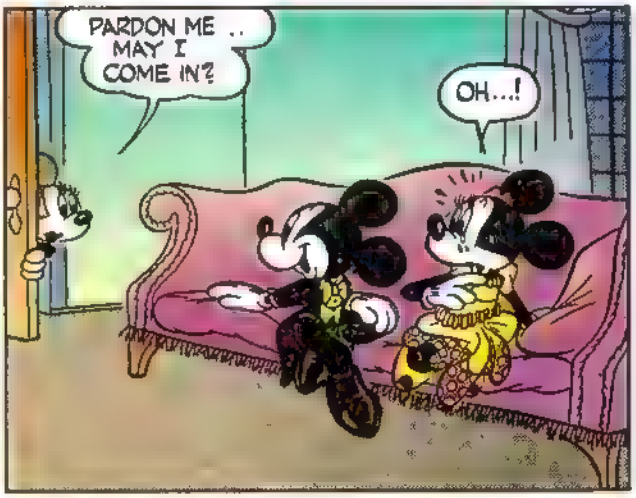
WE SHORE PUT IT OVER, DIDN'T WE?
AND HOW! THAT WAS A BLUFF ABOUT HIS EMPLOYER COMIN' BACK, BUT IT WORKED!

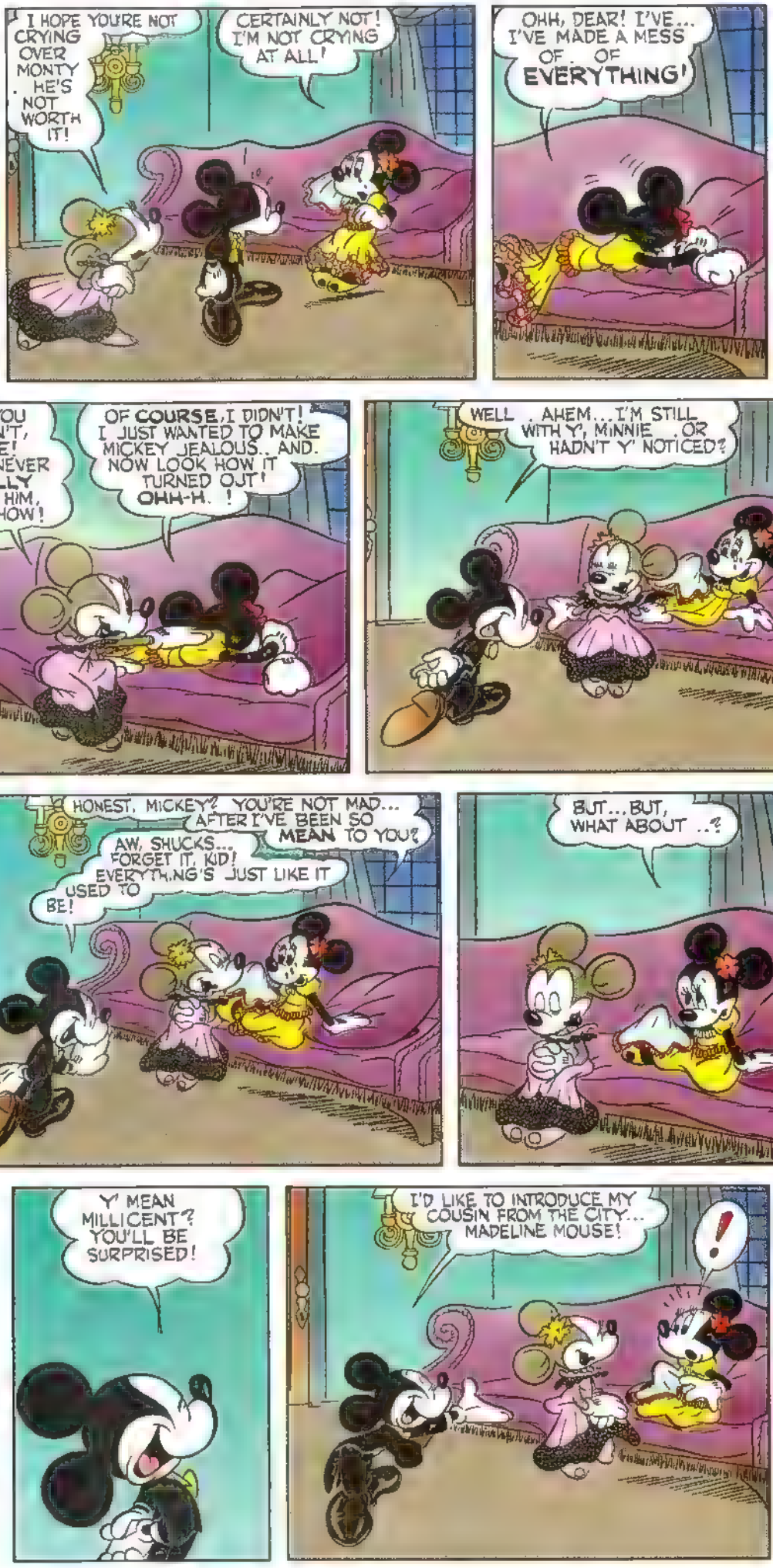
THAT PARASITE WON'T...
OH-OH!

MINNIE! WAIT .!


AW, MINNIE, DON'T TAKE IT SO HARD!


I'M SORRY.. BUT YOU WERE BOUND TO GET WISE TO THAT PHONY SOME DAY!
OHH! I WAS NEVER SO HUMILIATED! I HATE HIM! I HATE HIM!


PARDON ME .. MAY I COME IN?
OH...!


I HOPE YOU'RE NOT CRYING OVER MONTY . HE'S NOT WORTH IT!
CERTAINLY NOT! I'M NOT CRYING AT ALL!
OHH, DEAR! I'VE... I'VE MADE A MESS OF . OF EVERYTHING!
NO, YOU HAVEN'T, MINNIE! YOU NEVER REALLY LIKED HIM, ANYHOW!
OF COURSE, I DIDN'T! I JUST WANTED TO MAKE MICKEY JEALOUS.. AND. NOW LOOK HOW IT TURNED OJT! OHH-H. !
WELL . AHEM... I'M STILL WITH Y', MINNIE . OR HADN'T Y' NOTICED?
HONEST, MICKEY? YOU'RE NOT MAD... AFTER I'VE BEEN SO MEAN TO YOU?
AW, SHUCKS... FORGET IT, KID! EVERYTH.NG'S JUST LIKE IT USED TO BE!
BUT... BUT, WHAT ABOUT ..?
Y' MEAN MILLICENT? YOU'LL BE SURPRISED!
I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY COUSIN FROM THE CITY... MADELINE MOUSE!
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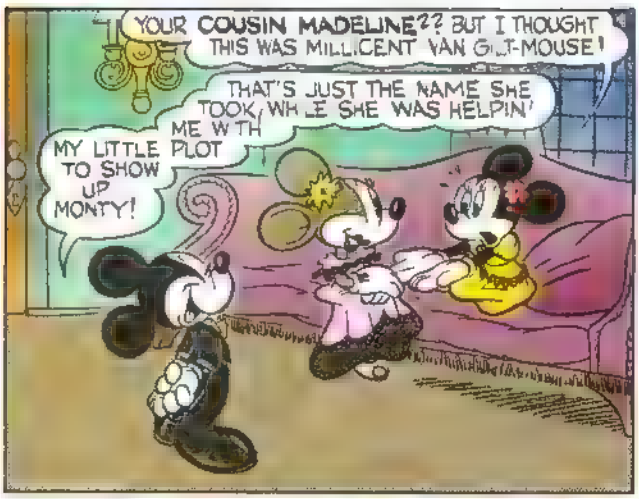
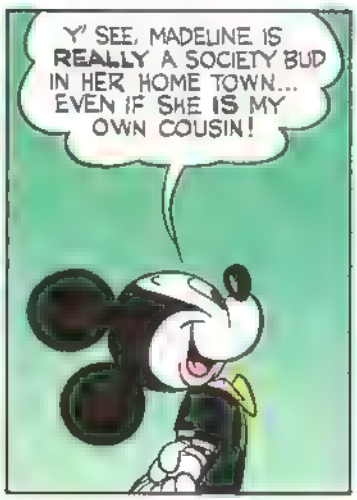
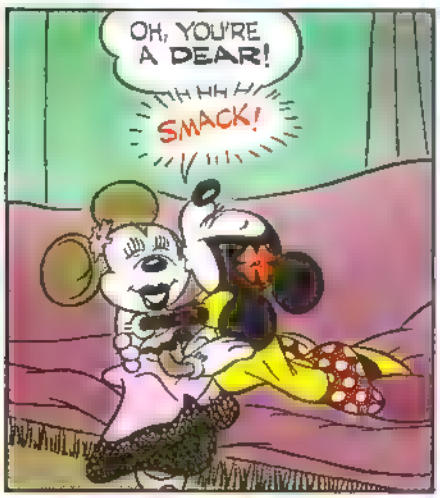
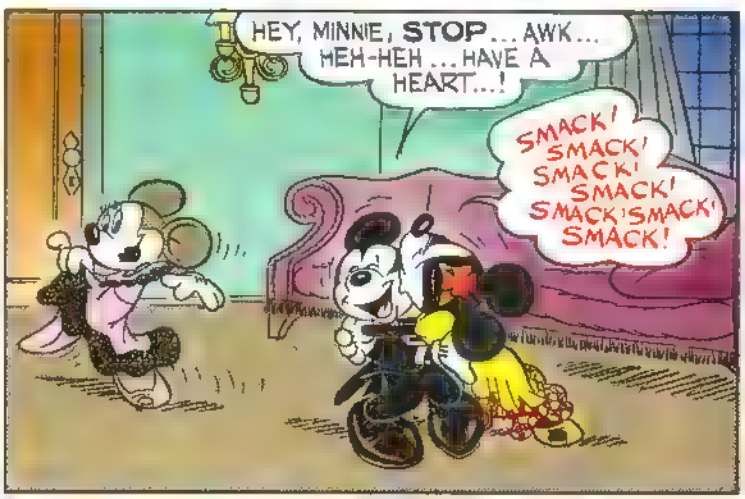
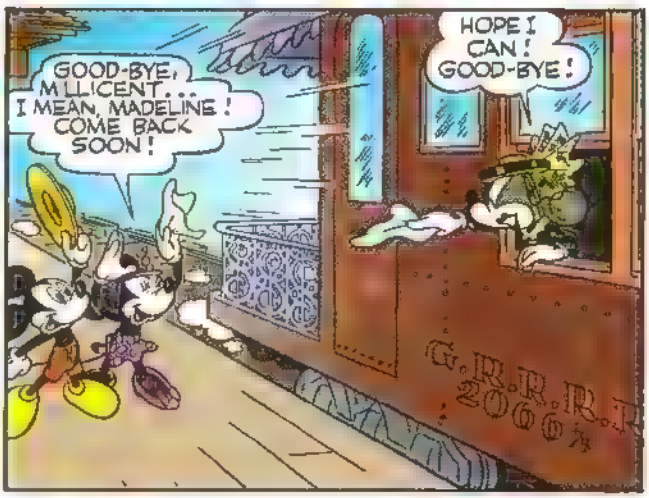

YOUR COUSIN MADELINE?? BUT I THOUGHT THIS WAS MILLICENT VAN GILT-MOUSE!
THAT'S JUST THE NAME SHE TOOK WHILE SHE WAS HELPIN' ME WITH MY LITTLE PLOT TO SHOW UP MONTY!

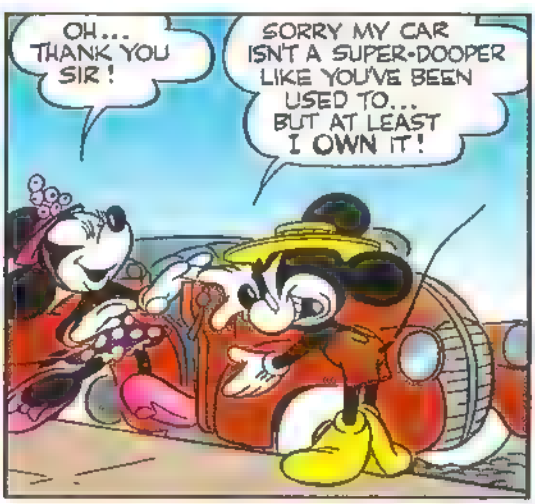


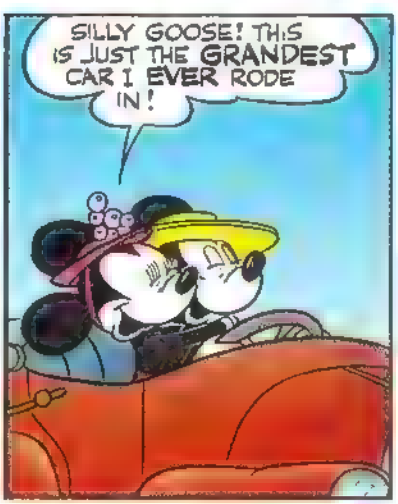




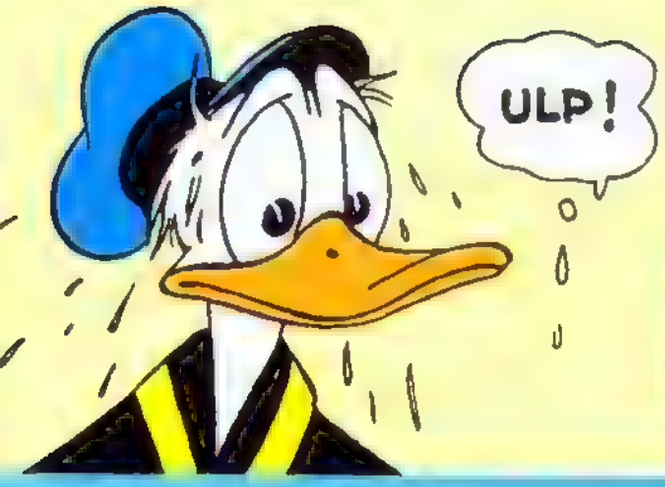
THE DAY AFTER THE BIG BALL THAT ENDED MONTY'S "SOCIETY" CAREER, MICKEY'S COUSIN LEAVES FOR THE CITY!







LATER!
IT'S SO MUCH MORE FUN GOING PLACES WITH YOU THAN IT WAS WITH MONTY!
HONEST?
YES...HE WAS SUCH A SHOW-OFF! ALWAYS DOING THINGS TO ATTRACT ATTENTION!
I KNOW! IT MUST'VE BEEN EMBARRASSING!
I HATE TO BE CONSPICUOUS, DON'T YOU?
YEH, I SURE..??!
HA! HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!
PARDON ME, FOLKS, BUT THE ORCHESTRA STOPPED PLAYING SOME TIME AGO!
WALT DISNEY
WASN'T IT A GORGEOUS EVENING? LET'S WALK HOME AND MAKE IT LAST!
BETTER TAKE A CAB, I THINK... IT LOOKS LIKE RAIN!
MICKEY MOUSE, HAVE YOU NO ROMANCE IN YOUR SOUL?
SURE, I HAVE, BUT... SAY, WHAT'RE WE STOPPING FOR?
IS MY FACE RED! I'M OUTA GAS... AN' THE STATIONS IS ALL CLOSED UP!
ROMANTIC, EH, GAL?
I STILL SAY IT'S A GORGEOUS EVENING!
The End



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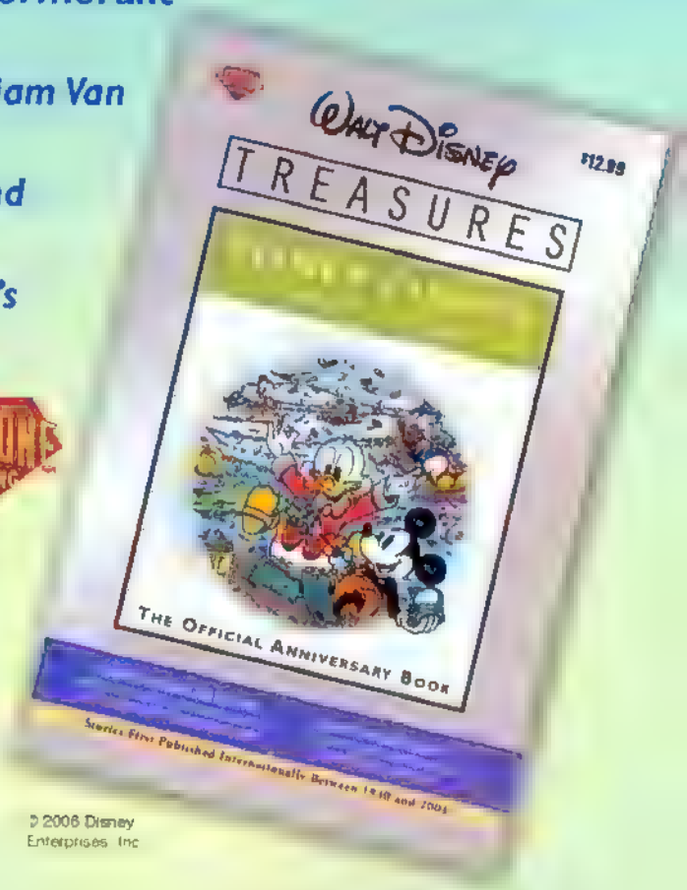

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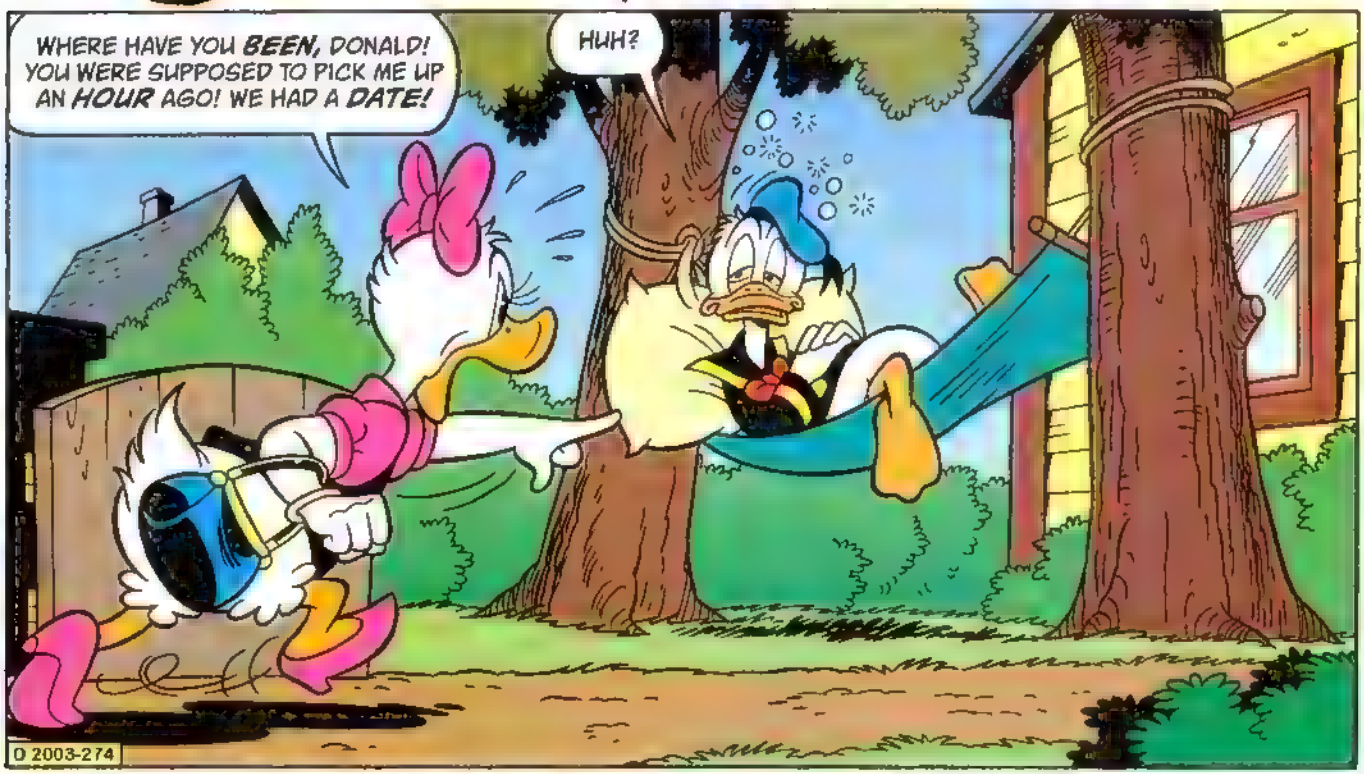
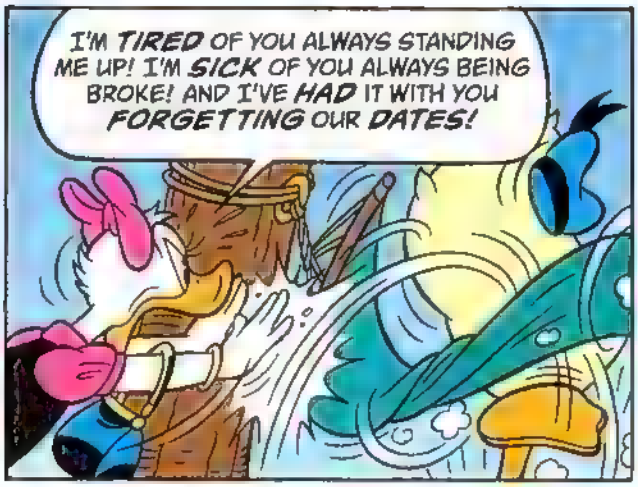
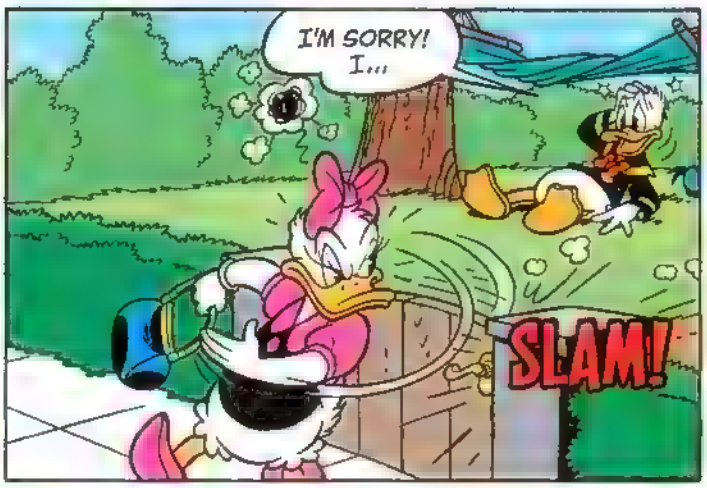
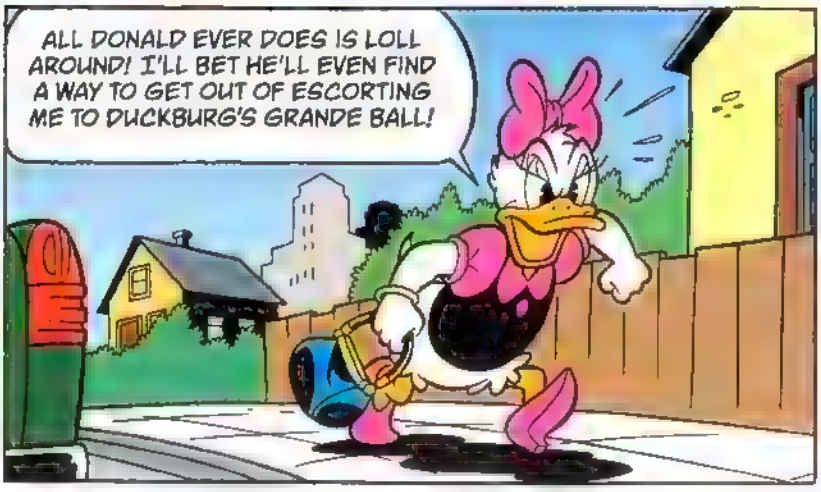




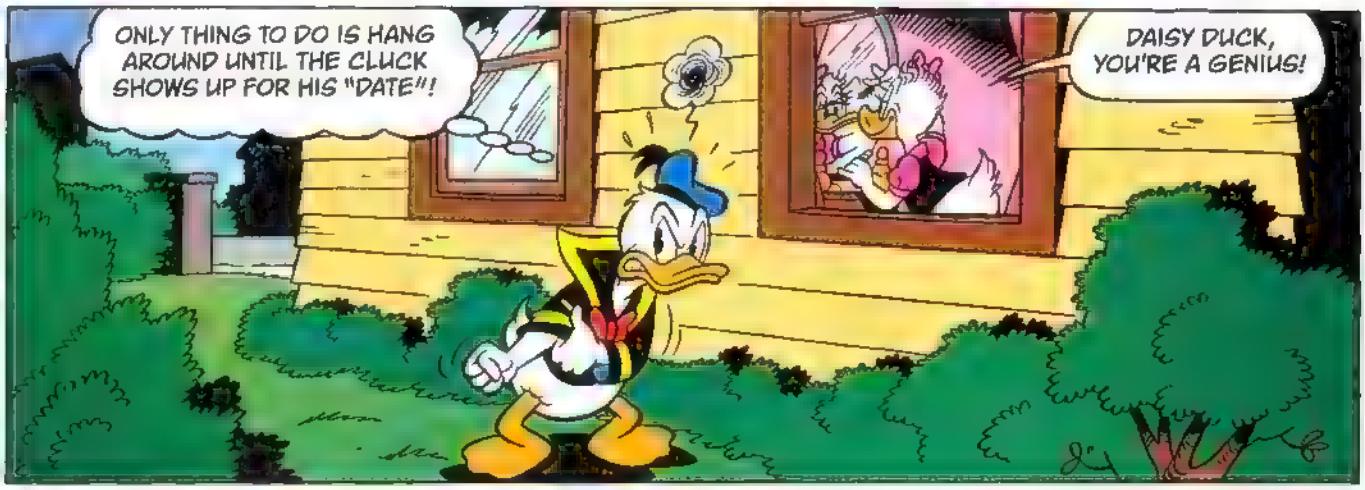


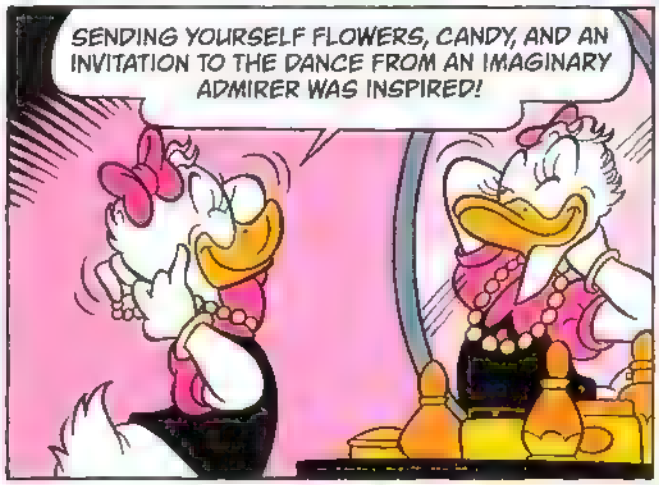


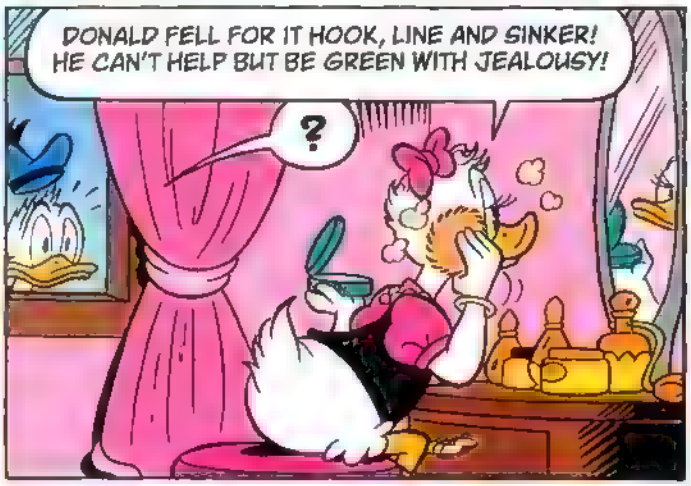
IF I HAD ANOTHER BEAU...! AN ATTENTIVE, RICH GENTLEMAN WHO DOTED ON MY EVERY WHIM! THAT WOULD MAKE DONALD SIT UP AND TAKE NOTICE!
BUT WHO? PERFECT GUYS DON'T JUST GROW ON TREES! BUT LUCKILY, DONALD DOESN'T KNOW THAT!
AND I'LL TAKE THE ROSES, TOO! I WANT THE CARD TO READ, "DAISY, YOU ARE MY SPECIAL FLOWER"!
VERY GOOD, MADAME!
AND THEN...
PLEASE HAVE ALL THE CHOCOLATES DELIVERED TO MISS DAISY DUCK! NOW, I JUST HAVE ONE MORE STOP TO MAKE...
THINK I'LL DROP IN ON DAISY! SEE IF SHE'S COOKING UP ANY-THING GOOD FOR FUN...
AWP! WHAT'S GOING ON?
ONE SIDE, BUB!
HUH?
DAISY! WHAT GIVES?
I'VE GOT A NEW ADMIRER! ISN'T HE SWEET?

A NEW ADMIRER?
TSK, TSK! HE'S A SECRET ADMIRER! OH, THERE'S THE DOOR!
RRING!
FOR ME? THANK YOU!
AN ENGRAVED INVITATION! ASKING ME TO THE DUCKBURG GRANDE BALL TONIGHT! HOW THOUGHTFUL!
THE GRANDE BALL! I'M SO EXCITED! WHAT SHALL I WEAR?
BUT, HONEYBUN! WHAT ABOUT ME?
I ALREADY BOUGHT TICKETS FOR THE GRANDE BALL! I TOOK IT FOR GRANTED WE'D BE GOING TOGETHER!
I'M SORRY, DONALD! BUT MY NEW ADMIRER ASKED ME!
OH? REALLY?
NICE OF YOU TO STOP BY! BUT I NEED TO PLAN FOR THE BIG DANCE! I'VE GOT A MILLION THINGS TO DO!
GOOD-BYE, DONALD!
HMPH!

NO SOONER HAS DONALD ROUNDED THE CORNER THAN...
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! SOME LOW-DOWN CHEESE-WEASEL IS TRYING TO MUSCLE IN ON MY GIRL!
WHEN I GET MY HANDS ON THE CRUMB-BUM, I'LL MAKE MINCEMEAT OUTTA HIM!
DONALD? ARE YOU STILL HERE?
HUH? DAISY! I WAS JUST... ER... OBSERVING A RARE SAPSUCKER IN YONDER TREE! WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO? MEETING YOUR SECRET ADMIRER?
MAYBE YES! MAYBE NO!
HMMM! IF I TAG ALONG WITHOUT HER KNOWING IT, MAYBE I'LL GET THE DROP ON THAT CHISELER!
IS THAT THE PHILISTINE? I'LL SNAP HIM LIKE A TWIG!
MAYBE IT'S THAT SCHMOE! I'LL WRINKLE HIM LIKE A CHEAP SUIT!
OR IS IT THIS MOMMA'S BOY? I'LL FOLD HIM LIKE A...A THING YOU FOLD!
SHEESH! WHICH ONE IS IT? I NEVER REALIZED DAISY HAD DAY-TO-DAY DEALINGS WITH SO MANY MEN!


ONLY THING TO DO IS HANG AROUND UNTIL THE CLUCK SHOWS UP FOR HIS "DATE"!
DAISY DUCK, YOU'RE A GENIUS!


SENDING YOURSELF FLOWERS, CANDY, AND AN INVITATION TO THE DANCE FROM AN IMAGINARY ADMIRER WAS INSPIRED!


DONALD FELL FOR IT HOOK, LINE AND SINKER! HE CAN'T HELP BUT BE GREEN WITH JEALOUSY!
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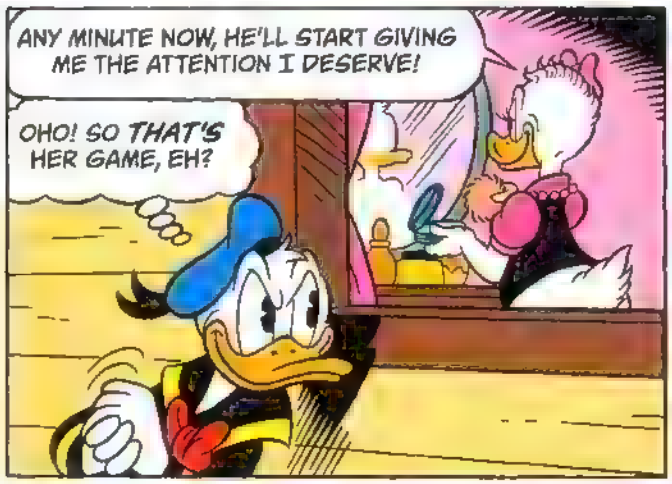
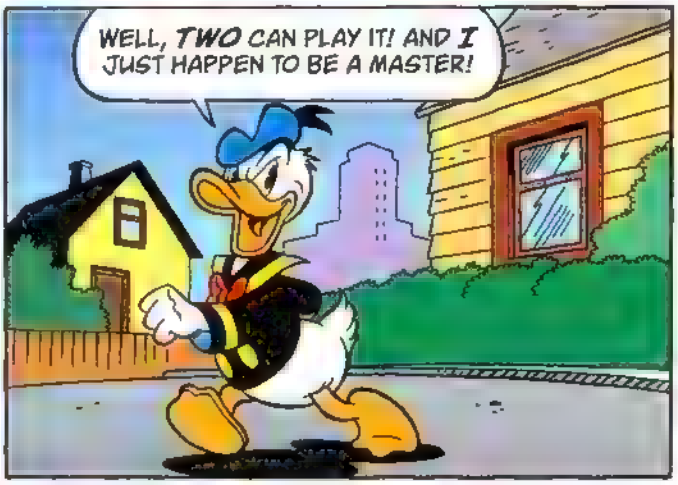
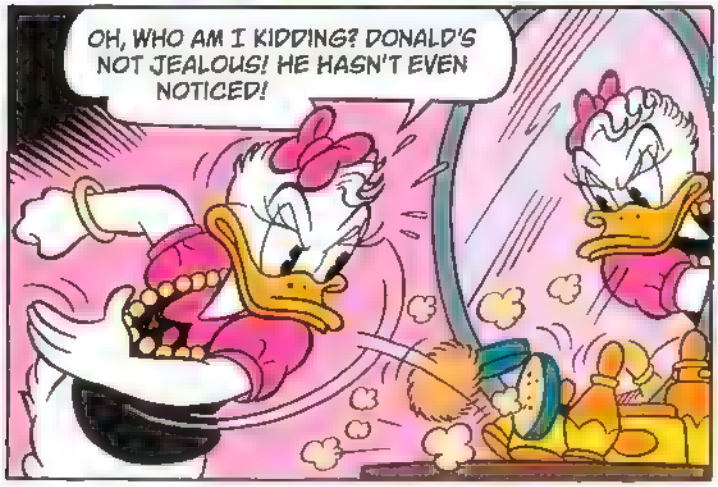
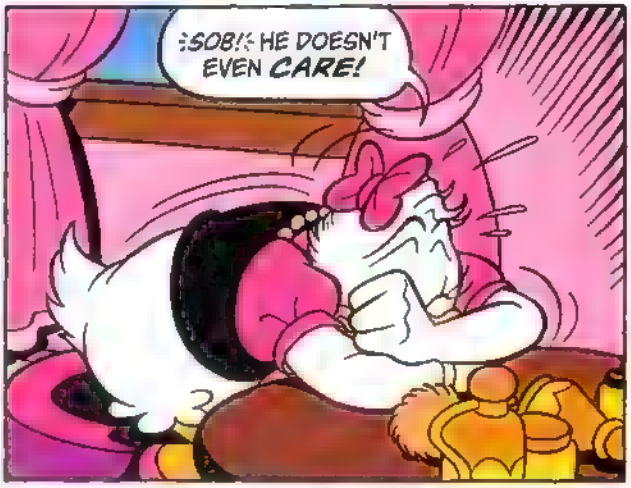
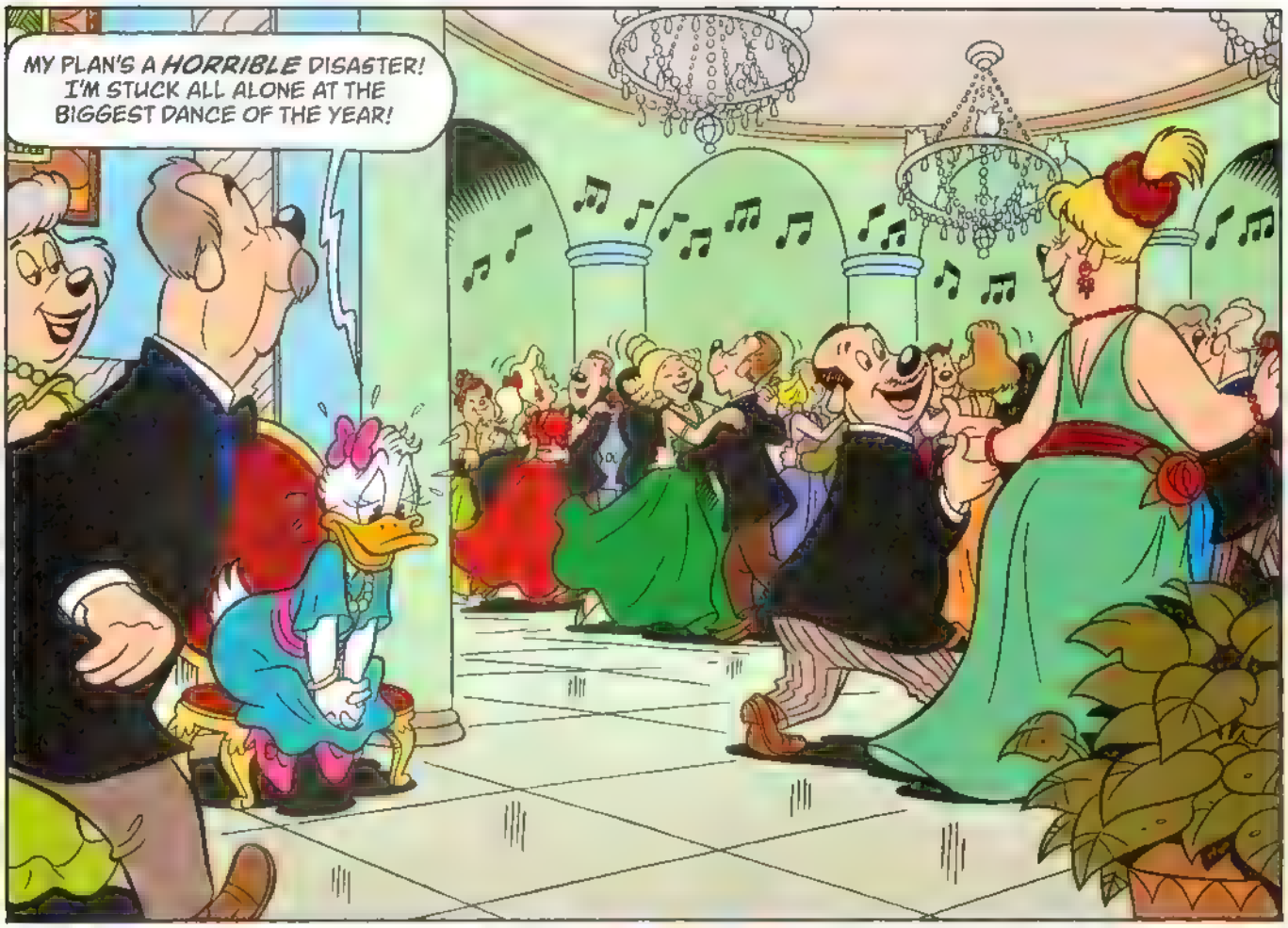
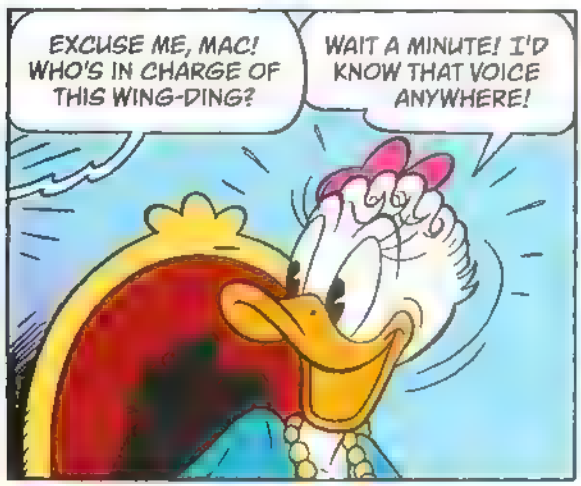

ANY MINUTE NOW, HE'LL START GIVING ME THE ATTENTION I DESERVE!
OHO! SO THAT'S HER GAME, EH?

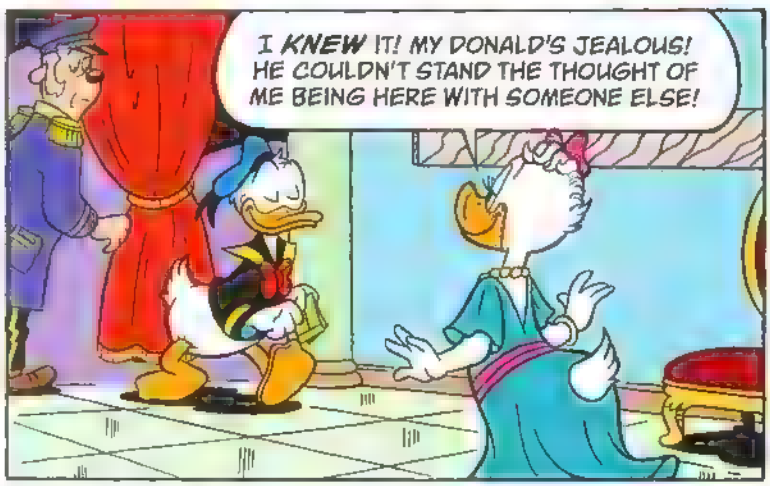

WELL, TWO CAN PLAY IT! AND I JUST HAPPEN TO BE A MASTER!


OH, WHO AM I KIDDING? DONALD'S NOT JEALOUS! HE HASN'T EVEN NOTICED!

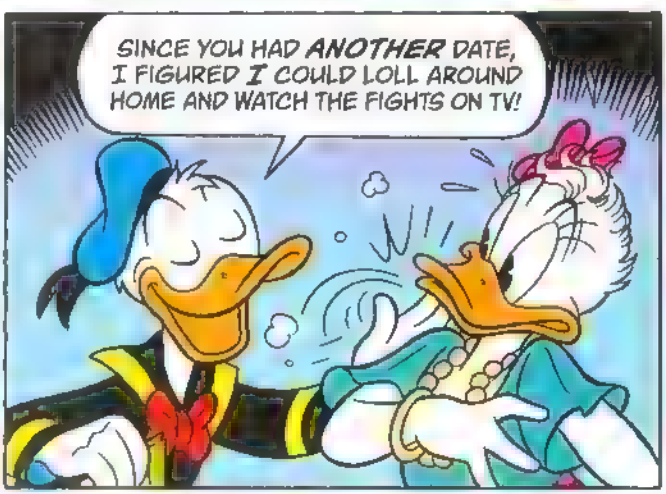

:SOB!: HE DOESN'T EVEN CARE!


MY PLAN'S A HORRIBLE DISASTER! I'M STUCK ALL ALONE AT THE BIGGEST DANCE OF THE YEAR!


EXCUSE ME, MAC! WHO'S IN CHARGE OF THIS WING-DING?
WAIT A MINUTE! I'D KNOW THAT VOICE ANYWHERE!

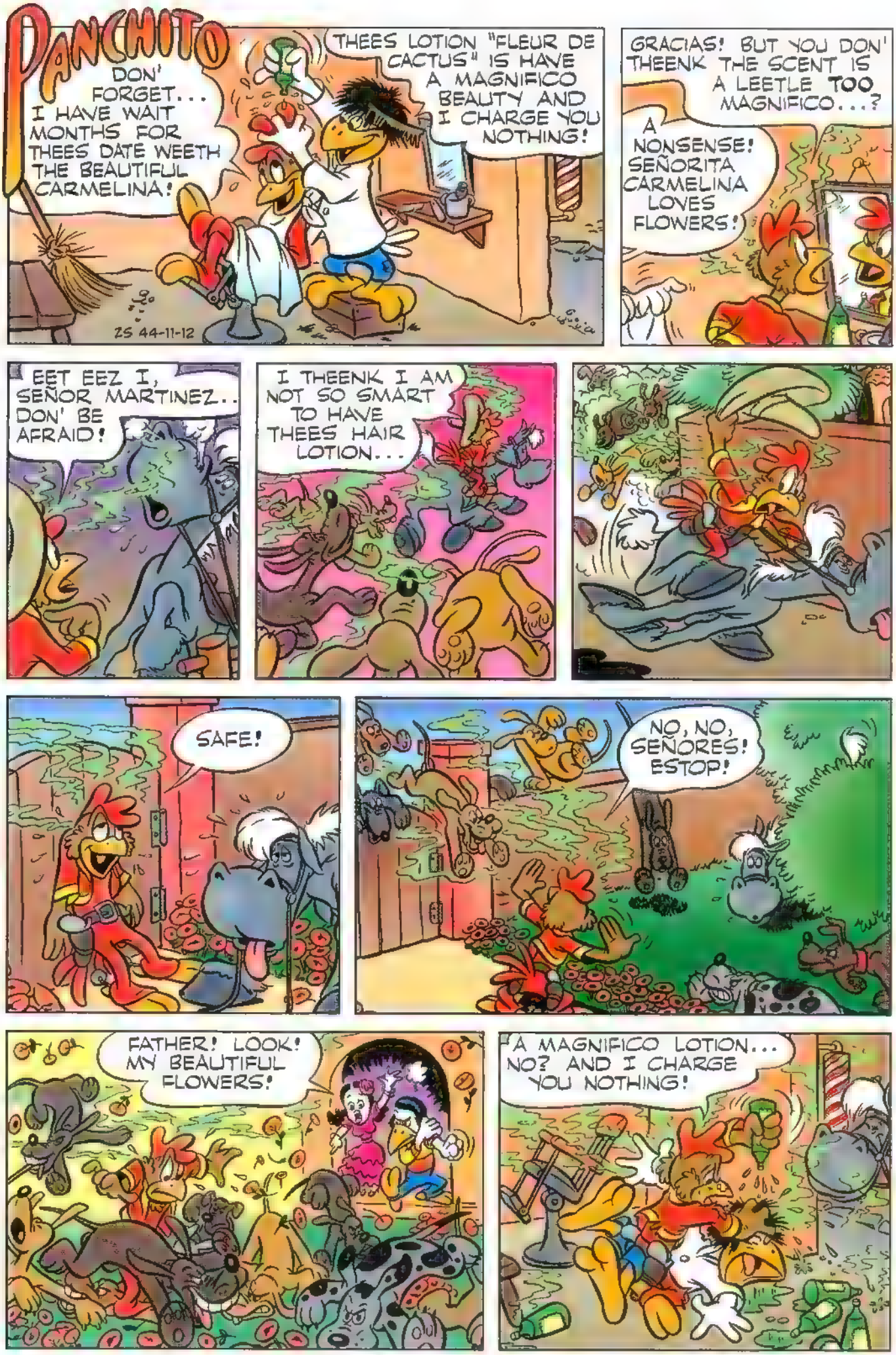

I KNEW IT! MY DONALD'S JEALOUS! HE COULDN'T STAND THE THOUGHT OF ME BEING HERE WITH SOMEONE ELSE!

I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T WANT ME DANCING WITH...
HIYA, TOOTS! I JUST STOPPED BY TO RETURN THE TWO TICKETS I BOUGHT TO THIS SHINDIG!


SINCE YOU HAD ANOTHER DATE, I FIGURED I COULD LOLL AROUND HOME AND WATCH THE FIGHTS ON TV!

BWAAAH!
WHAT'S THE TROUBLE, LITTLE LADY? MAYBE I CAN HELP!
BOO HOO HOOO!
NO ONE CAN HELP ME! :SOB!: I'VE MADE A HUGE MESS OF THINGS!
THERE, THERE, MA'AM! IT CAN'T BE AS BAD AS ALL THAT!
THE ONLY ONE I'VE EVER LOVED IS DONALD! AND NOW I'VE LOST HIM FOREVER! BWAAAAAH!
I'LL GIVE DAISY A FEW MORE MINUTES TO STEW IN HER OWN JUICES! THAT'LL TEACH HER TO TRY TO PUT ONE OVER ON THE MASTER!
BUT I CAN'T LET HER GO ALL EVENING WITHOUT A DATE! THE POOR KID'S SUFFERED ENOUGH!
I'LL COME CLEAN WITH DAISY AND WE CAN HAVE A GOOD LAUGH WHILE WE'RE ENJOYING THE DANCE!

DAISY'S GONNA BE SURPRISED TO FIND OUT I KNEW ABOUT HER LITTLE PRANK ALL ALONG! BUT IF I KNOW MY GAL, SHE'LL GET A BIG KICK...
WAK!
HEY! BOZO! THAT'S MY GAL YOU'RE PAWIN'!
UNHAND HER, YOU OVERGROWN INTERLOPER, AND PUT 'EM UP! I'M ABOUT TO DROP YOU LIKE A BAD HABIT!
AND SO...
OH DONALD! YOU DO CARE AFTER ALL!
SURE I DO! NOW CAN YOU MOVE A LITTLE TO THE LEFT? THERE'S STILL TIME TO CATCH THE FIGHTS ON TV!
END


PANCHITO
DON' FORGET... I HAVE WAIT MONTHS FOR THEES DATE WEETH THE BEAUTIFUL CARMELINA!
THEES LOTION "FLEUR DE CACTUS" IS HAVE A MAGNIFICO BEAUTY AND I CHARGE YOU NOTHING!
ZS 44-11-12
GRACIAS! BUT YOU DON' THEENK THE SCENT IS A LEETLE TOO MAGNIFICO...?
A NONSENSE! SEÑORITA CARMELINA LOVES FLOWERS!
EET EEZ I, SEÑOR MARTINEZ.. DON' BE AFRAID!
I THEENK I AM NOT SO SMART TO HAVE THEES HAIR LOTION...
SAFE!
NO, NO, SEÑORES! ESTOP!
FATHER! LOOK! MY BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS!
A MAGNIFICO LOTION... NO? AND I CHARGE YOU NOTHING!

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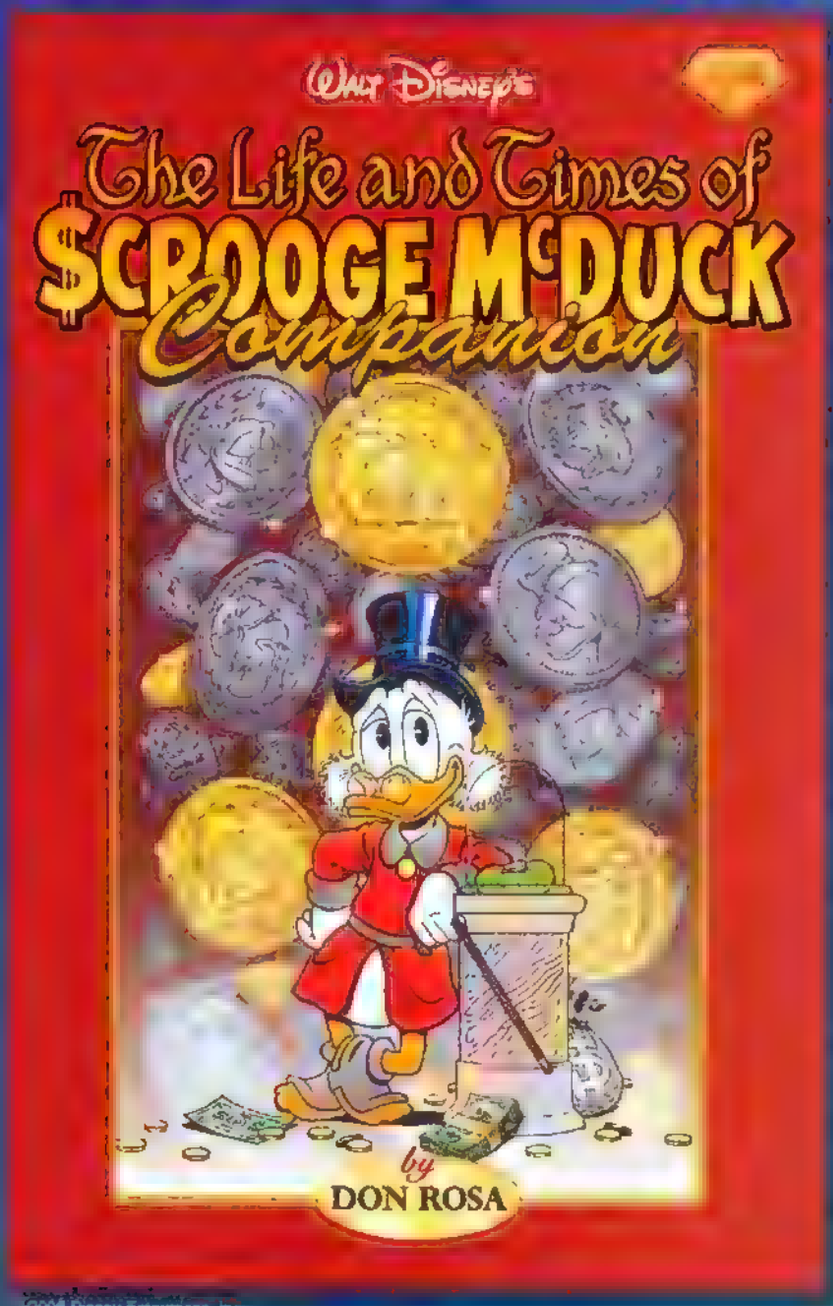

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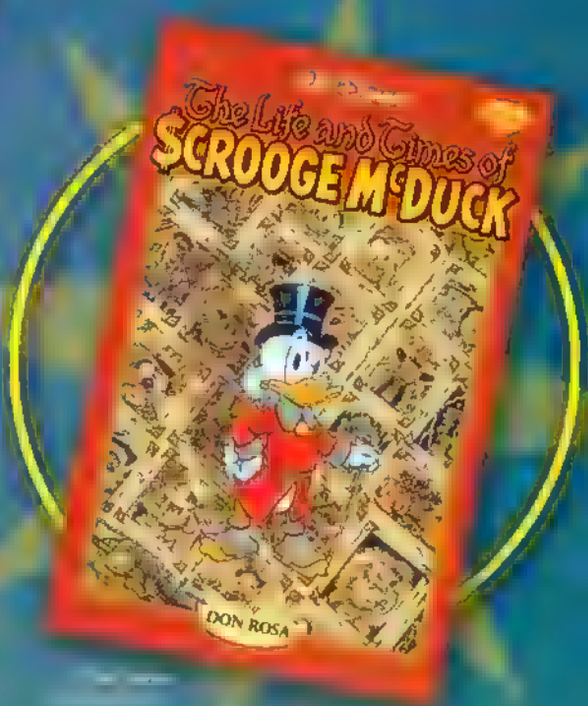

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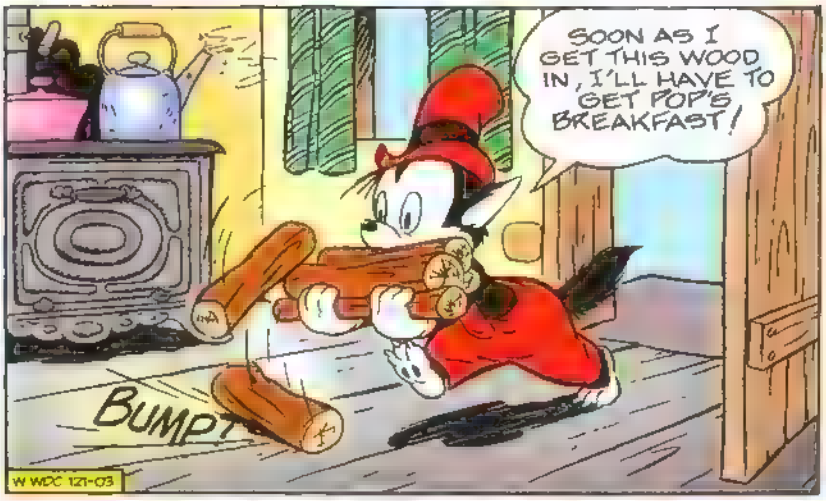

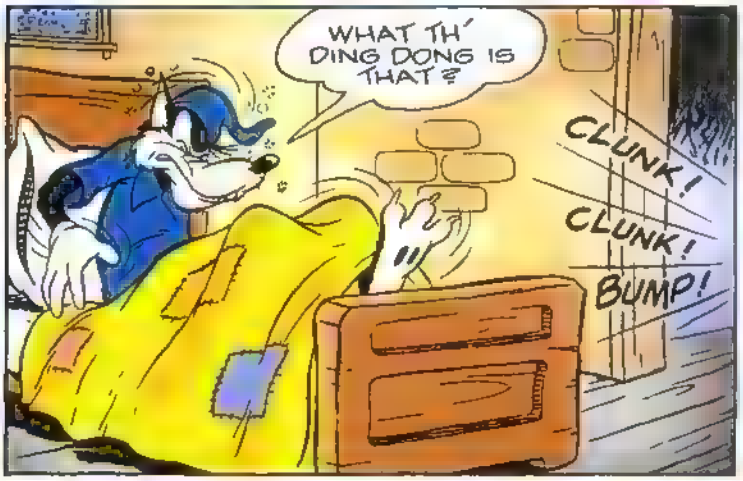

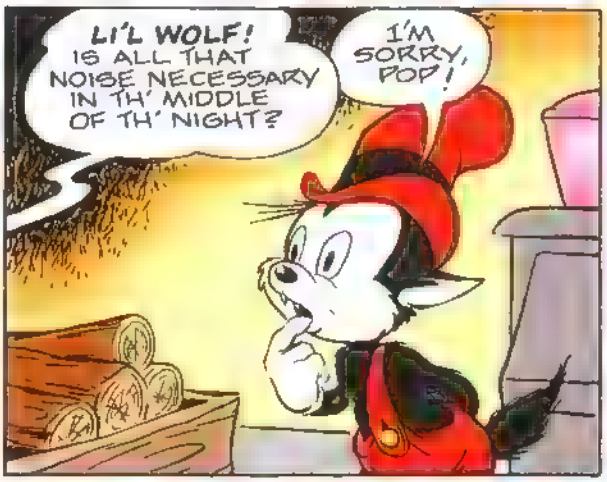

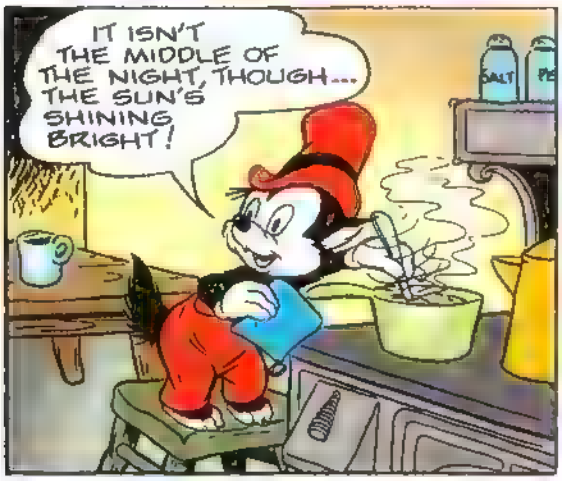

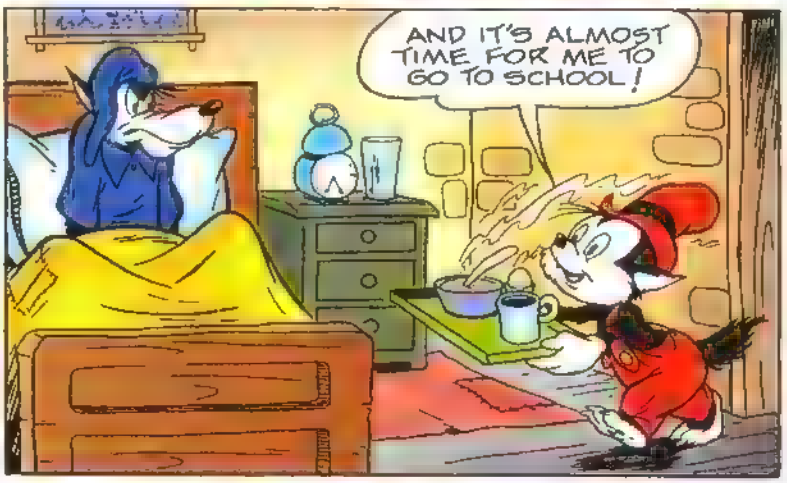

KNOCK! KNOCK! KNOCK!
OH! THAT MUST BE MY LITTLE FRIENDS I'M WALKING TO SCHOOL WITH!
SCHOOL ... H-MPH! I WENT T'SCHOOL ONE DAY, BUT I DIDN'T LEARN NOTHIN', SO I CAME ON HOME!
I WONDER WHAT KIDS HE WUZ TALKIN' ABOUT!
IT'S A COUPLE OF LAMB CHOPS! ER... I MEAN LAMB CHAPS!
I HEERD THERE WUZ A BAA SHEEP FAMBLY MOVED IN ... I BEEN TRYIN' TO FIGGER OUT HOW T'GIT TH' CRITTERS!
SOMETHIN' TELLS ME LI'L WOLF ISN'T GOIN' TO HAVE HIS LITTLE CHUMS MUCH LONGER! HEE! HEE!
THERE OUGHTA BE SOMETHIN' IN HERE THAT'LL HELP GET 'EM!
DISGUISES OF ALL SORTS
I NEVER HAD MUCH LUCK WITH THIS BO-PEEP OUTFIT, THOUGH!

AN' TH' DRATTED MOTHS HAVE BEEN CHEWIN' ON THIS SHEEP COSTUME!
IT'S SO MANGY NOW, I DON'T THINK IT'D FOOL ANYBODY!
YESSIREE! IF I'M GONNA FOOL THEM SHEEP, I CAN'T DEPEND ON A COSTUME... I GOTTA USE MY HEAD!
BAH! MY BEST BET IS T'HANG AROUND DURING RECESS TIME... GRAB 'EM, AN' TOSS 'EM IN THIS BAG!
THERE THEY ARE... BUT THERE'RE TOO MANY OTHER KIDS HANGIN' AROUND!
BAH!
HM-M... SPEAKIN' OF "BAH"... I BETCHA I COULD LURE 'EM INTO THIS SACK BY YELLIN' "BAH"!
BAA SHEEPS JEST LOVE TH' SOUND OF IT!
BAH! BAH! BAH!
BAA!
WAIT, LI'L LAMB! THAT SOUNDS SUSPICIOUSLY LIKE MY POP!

BAH!
BAA!
HEH, HEH, HEH!
OH, DEAR! IT WAS POP... AND I JUST GOTTA DO SOMETHING DRASTIC TO SAVE MY LITTLE FRIEND!
DRAT IT! HERE COMES LI'L WOLF!
I SAW YOU, POP!
THAT WAS A GOOD TRICK... AND I'VE GOT A PROPOSITION TO MAKE TO YOU!
OH?
HOW MUCH WILL YOU PAY ME FOR EVERY SHEEP I DRIVE INTO YOUR SACK?
YOU MEAN IT?
Y'MEAN YOU'RE ACTUALLY GONNA HELP ME KETCH SHEEPS?
SURE, POP!
I'LL PAY YA TEN CENTS APIECE!
OKAY! ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS HOLD THE SACK OPEN, AND I'LL SEND YOU THE SHEEP!

THASS TH' WAY I LIKE T'HEAR LI'L WOLVES TALK! HE'S GONNA MAKE A BAD LI'L WOLF YET!
HEE! HEE!
I HATE TO TRICK POP LIKE THIS... BUT AFTER ALL, IT'S FOR HIS OWN GOOD!
I'LL GIT THIS SHEEP TIED UP... AN' IT'LL LEAVE MY BAG EMPTY T'CATCH ANOTHER ONE!
DON'T GET ALARMED... BUT MY POP HAS CAUGHT YOUR BROTHER, AND...
OH, HEAVENS!
HERE'S WHAT I WANT YOU TO DO...
PSST... PSST...
OH, DEAR... SUPPOSE IT DOESN'T WORK?
BAH! BAH!
THERE'S HIS CALL... NOW, ON YOUR WAY!
BAA!
HOT DOG! SHEEP NUMBER TWO!
YER DOIN' FINE, LI'L WOLF! THAT MAKES TEN CENTS I OWES YOU!

HEE, HEE, HEE! LI'L WOLF AN' ME ARE GONNA MAKE A GOOD TEAM!
GET READY, POP... HERE COMES ANOTHER!
BAH! BAH!
BAAA!
OOOF!
BAA!
WHUT TH' DICKENS WUZ THAT?
LI'L WOLF! COME HERE!
HALP!
CLACK! CLACK! CLACK! CLACK!
POP... ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
WHUT IN TARNATION DID YOU SEND THAT FULL-GROWN SHEEP FOR?

YOU DIDN'T SPECIFY WHAT SIZE SHEEP YOU WANTED, POP!
WELL... YOU DON'T GET TEN CENTS FER THAT LAST ONE!
COME T'THINK OF IT... YA DON'T GIT PAID FER NONE OF 'EM! THEY ALL GOT AWAY!
HEE, HEE!
I THINK MY POP HAS LEARNED HIS LESSON, FELLAS! DON'T WORRY ANYMORE!
CARNSARN IT! ALL MY BEST PLANS HAVE A WAY OF GOIN' WRONG!
I'M NOT EVER GOIN' TO HAVE NOTHIN' TO DO WITH SHEEPS!
BAA-A!
WH-WHY, IT'S A LI'L BLACK SHEEP! AN' HE'S ALL ALONE!
BAA!
HM-M... WITH NOBODY AROUND TO INTERFERE... IT'LL BE A CINCH T'GRAB THIS KID!

WELL, WELL! AN' WHY AREN'T YOU IN SCHOOL?
OH, I'M THE BLACK SHEEP OF MY FAMILY, AND I'M PLAYING HOOKY TODAY!
YEAH? WELL, YOU'VE PLAYED HOOKY FER TH' LAST TIME, SONNY!
HERE, HERE! WHAT'S GOIN' ON?
WHY, MISTER TRUANT OFFICER... I WUZ JEST ASKIN' THIS LI'L OL' BLACK SHEEP WHY HE WASN'T IN SCHOOL!
WHY, TH' IGGERANT LITTLE KID DOESN'T KNOW WHAT TWO AN' TWO IS!
WELL...
HOW MUCH IS IT?
WHY, ER... UH... FIVE.. ER.. SIX... ER...
I THINK YOU'D BETTER COME ALONG WITH ME, TOO!
BAA!
BAA!
BAA!
DUNCE
BAH!

Walt Disney's MICKEY MOUSE IN REVERTING RAPTORS

THERE THEY ARE! MY *RAPTOR* PALS! IT'S BEEN AGES SINCE I'VE SEEN 'EM!*
THANKS FER MEETIN' ME HERE TO HELP WRANGLE TH' CRITTERS, MICKEY!
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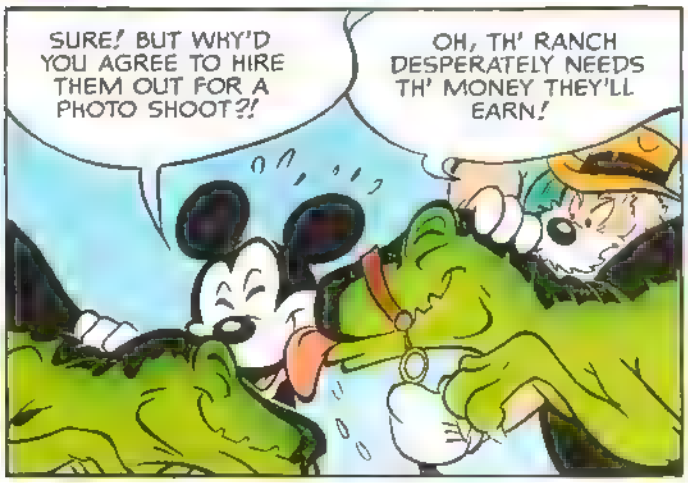
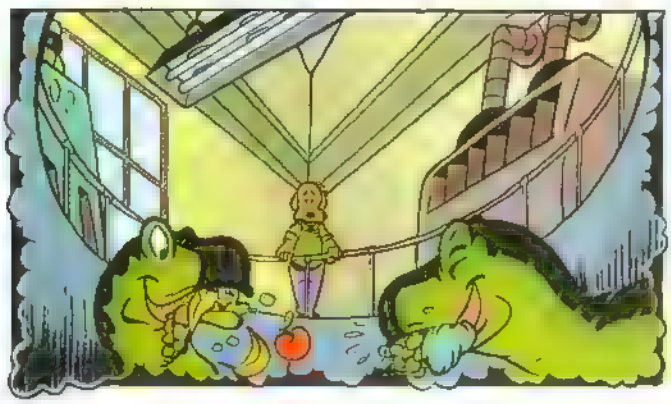
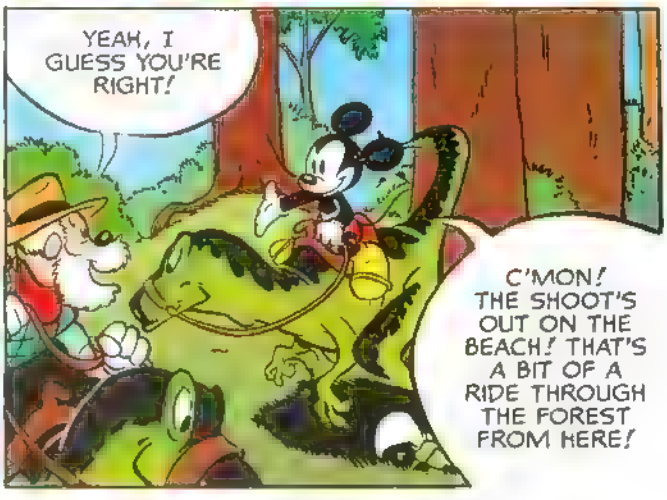
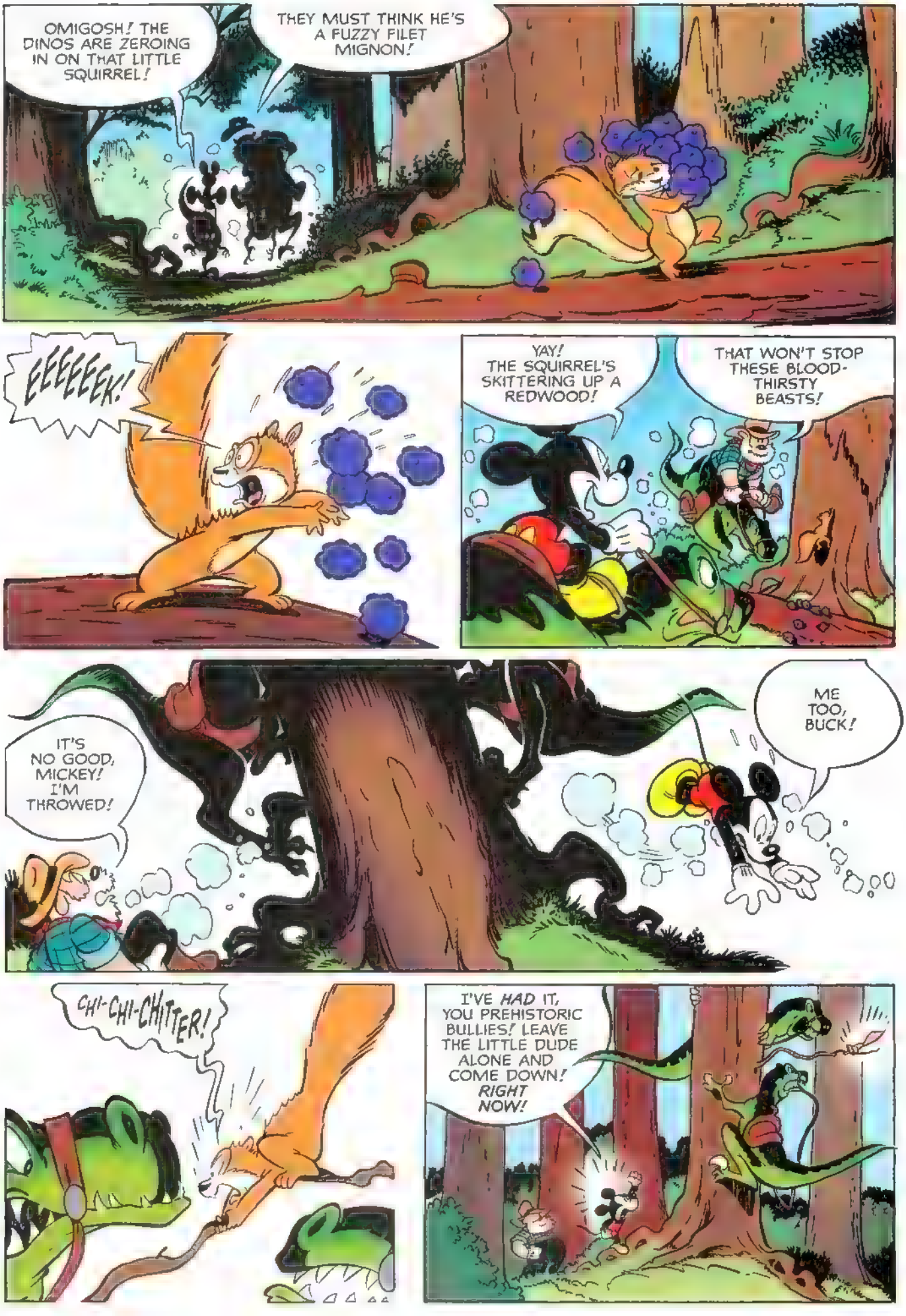


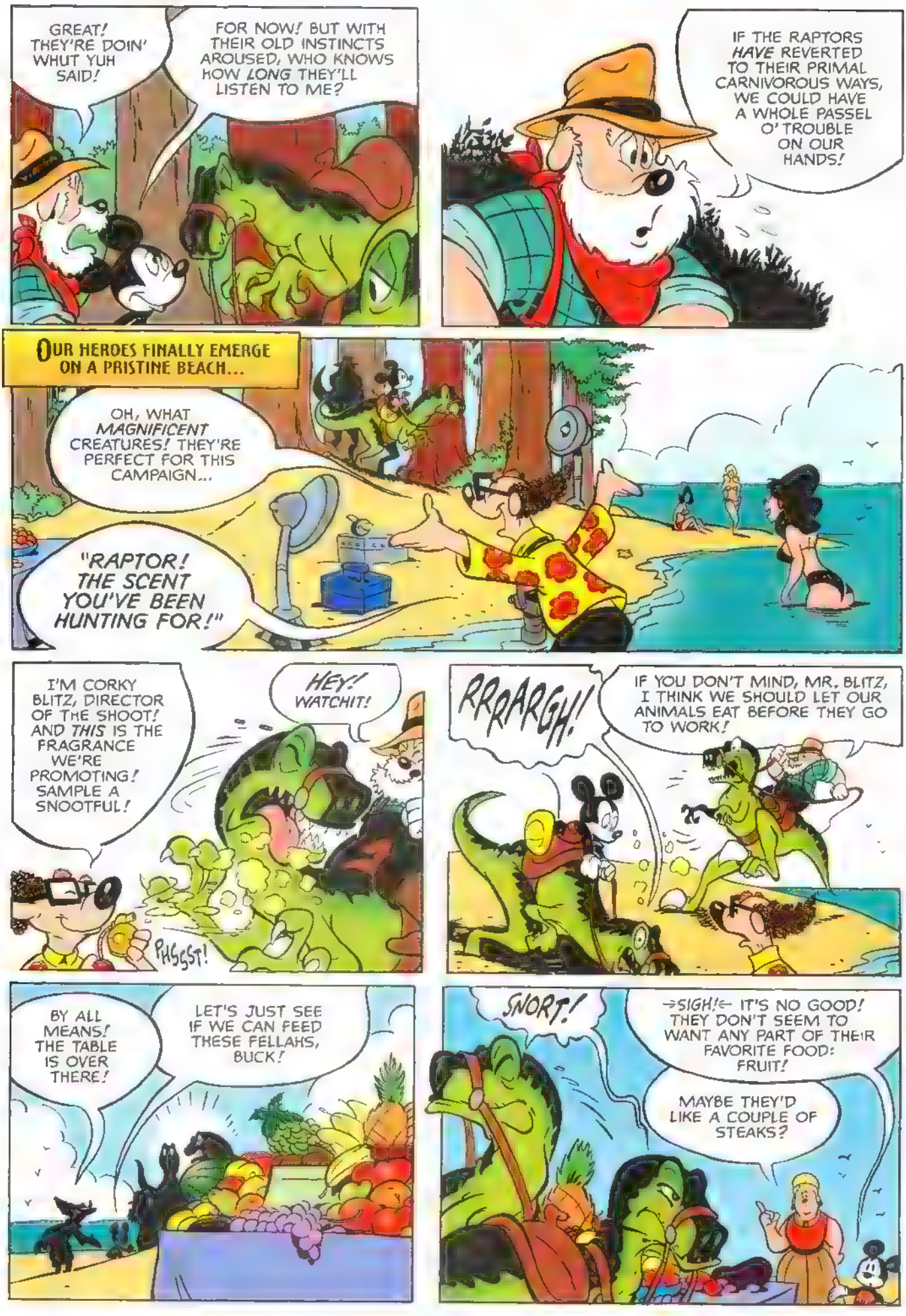
"WHEN PROFESSOR WAGSTAFF CLONED THEM HE ALTERED THEIR GENETIC CODE, MAKING 'EM HARMLESS VEGETARIANS!"



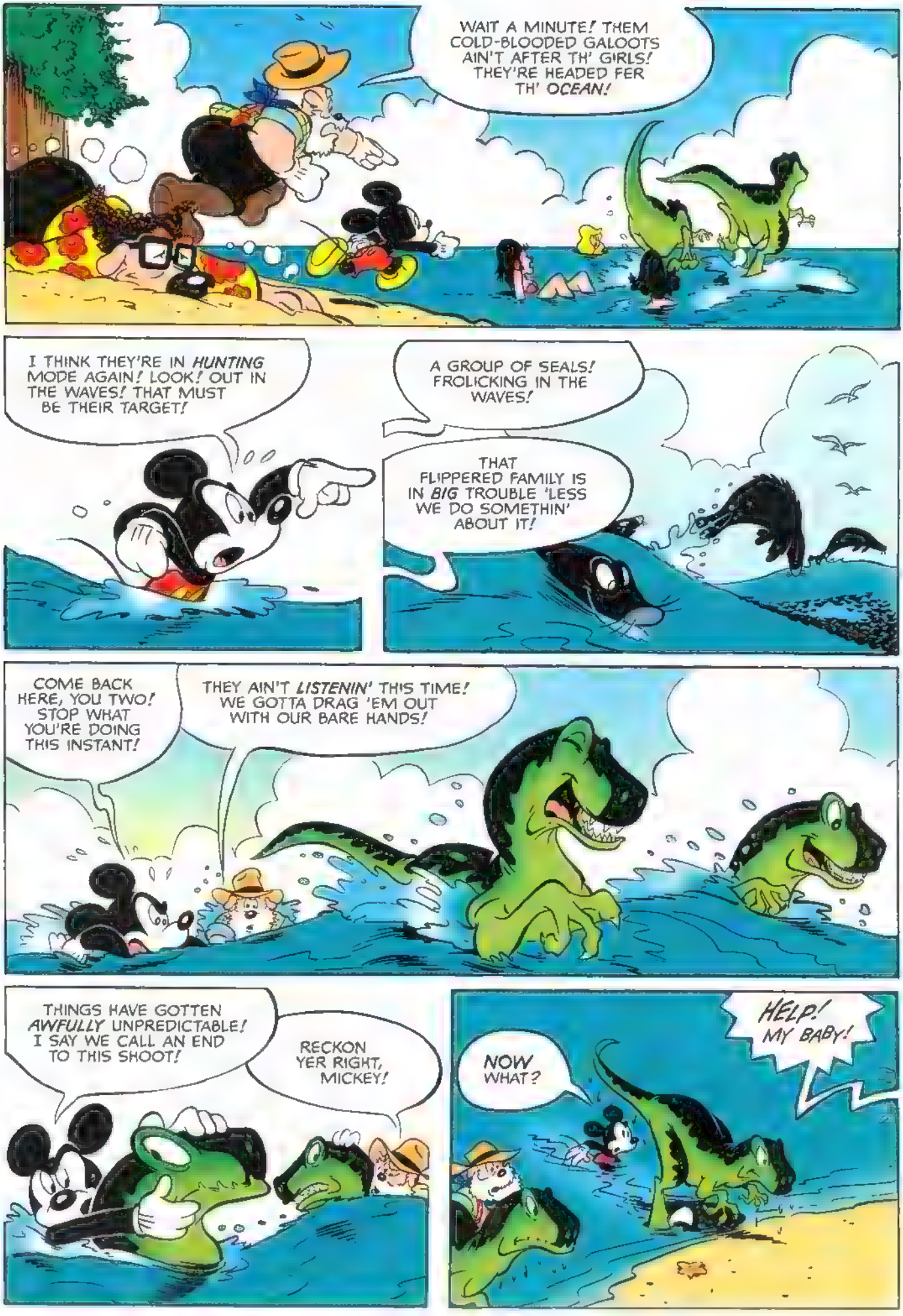


SHORTLY...
LOOK AT THIS PLACE! IF I DIDN'T KNOW BETTER, I'D SWEAR *WE* WERE THE ONES OUT OF PLACE IN TIME, NOT THE RAPTORS!
YEAH! THEM BIG TREES MAKE A COWPOKE FEEL MIGHTY PUNY!
SAY! WHAT'S UP WITH OUR DINOS? THEY SUDDENLY SEEM VERY TENSE!
I'M TUGGIN' ON TH' REINS, BUT MINE WON'T RESPOND!
UH-OH! THEIR PUPILS ARE DILATING! AND THEIR NOSTRILS ARE TWITCHING!
LOOKIT TH' WAY THEY'RE COCKIN' THEIR HEADS! LIKE THEY HEAR SOMETHIN' WE DON'T!
I'M STARTING TO GET A BAD FEELING...
THIS LANDSCAPE IS REMINISCENT OF THE *JURASSIC* PERIOD! MAYBE IT'S STIRRING UP DEEPLY BURIED PRIMAL MEMORIES IN THE RAPTORS!
WHOA! TH' DANGED CUSSES ARE SPRINTIN' LIKE WILD STALLIONS! I'VE NEVER SEEN 'EM ACT LIKE THIS BEFORE!
THEY'RE IN *HUNTING* MODE! BUT THESE GUYS ARE VEGE-TARIANS!


OMIGOSH! THE DINOS ARE ZEROING IN ON THAT LITTLE SQUIRREL!
THEY MUST THINK HE'S A FUZZY FILET MIGNON!
EEEEEEK!
YAY! THE SQUIRREL'S SKITTERING UP A REDWOOD!
THAT WON'T STOP THESE BLOOD-THIRSTY BEASTS!
IT'S NO GOOD, MICKEY! I'M THROWED!
ME TOO, BUCK!
CHI-CHI-CHITTER!
I'VE *HAD* IT, YOU PREHISTORIC BULLIES! LEAVE THE LITTLE DUDE ALONE AND COME DOWN! *RIGHT NOW!*


GREAT! THEY'RE DOIN' WHUT YUH SAID!
FOR NOW! BUT WITH THEIR OLD INSTINCTS AROUSED, WHO KNOWS HOW LONG THEY'LL LISTEN TO ME?
IF THE RAPTORS HAVE REVERTED TO THEIR PRIMAL CARNIVOROUS WAYS, WE COULD HAVE A WHOLE PASSEL O' TROUBLE ON OUR HANDS!
OUR HEROES FINALLY EMERGE ON A PRISTINE BEACH...
OH, WHAT MAGNIFICENT CREATURES! THEY'RE PERFECT FOR THIS CAMPAIGN...
"RAPTOR! THE SCENT YOU'VE BEEN HUNTING FOR!"
I'M CORKY BLITZ, DIRECTOR OF THE SHOOT! AND THIS IS THE FRAGRANCE WE'RE PROMOTING! SAMPLE A SNOOTFUL!
HEY! WATCHIT!
PHSSST!
RRRARGH!
IF YOU DON'T MIND, MR. BLITZ, I THINK WE SHOULD LET OUR ANIMALS EAT BEFORE THEY GO TO WORK!
BY ALL MEANS! THE TABLE IS OVER THERE!
LET'S JUST SEE IF WE CAN FEED THESE FELLAHS, BUCK!
SNORT!
→SIGH!← IT'S NO GOOD! THEY DON'T SEEM TO WANT ANY PART OF THEIR FAVORITE FOOD: FRUIT!
MAYBE THEY'D LIKE A COUPLE OF STEAKS?

THEY ...ER... DON'T EAT MEAT!
WELL, MY NAME'S MAGGIE! I'M THE CATERER! AND THIS LITTLE BUNDLE OF ENERGY IS MY DAUGHTER, ROSIE!
I HAD TO BRING HER WITH ME TODAY 'CAUSE THE BABYSITTER TOOK SICK AT THE LAST MINUTE!
DOGGIES!
NICE MEETING YOU, ROSIE!
SNIFF! SNIFF!
BUT I GUESS WE HAVE TO GET TO WORK!
GOOD THINKIN', PAL! YUH KNOW HOW WOLVES ALWAYS LIKE TUH PICK OFF TH' YOUNG STRAGGLERS IN A HERD!
THE SHOOT COMMENCES...
THAT'S IT, GIRLS! ACT AS IF THE BEASTS ARE THREATENING! BUT BEGUILE THEM WITH YOUR FRAGRANCE!
I'M WORRIED! OUR DINOS ARE ACTING REAL EDGY! WHO KNOWS WHAT THOSE REVERTED RAPTORS MIGHT DO?
HOLY HOPPIN' MUDPUPPIES! TH' CRITTERS ARE BOLTIN'!
GROWL!
THEY'RE BARRELING STRAIGHT FOR THE FASHION MODELS!


WAIT A MINUTE! THEM COLD-BLOODED GALOOTS AIN'T AFTER TH' GIRLS! THEY'RE HEADED FER TH' OCEAN!
I THINK THEY'RE IN HUNTING MODE AGAIN! LOOK! OUT IN THE WAVES! THAT MUST BE THEIR TARGET!
A GROUP OF SEALS! FROLICKING IN THE WAVES!
THAT FLIPPERED FAMILY IS IN BIG TROUBLE 'LESS WE DO SOMETHIN' ABOUT IT!
COME BACK HERE, YOU TWO! STOP WHAT YOU'RE DOING THIS INSTANT!
THEY AIN'T LISTENIN' THIS TIME! WE GOTTA DRAG 'EM OUT WITH OUR BARE HANDS!
THINGS HAVE GOTTEN AWFULLY UNPREDICTABLE! I SAY WE CALL AN END TO THIS SHOOT!
RECKON YER RIGHT, MICKEY!
NOW WHAT?
HELP! MY BABY!

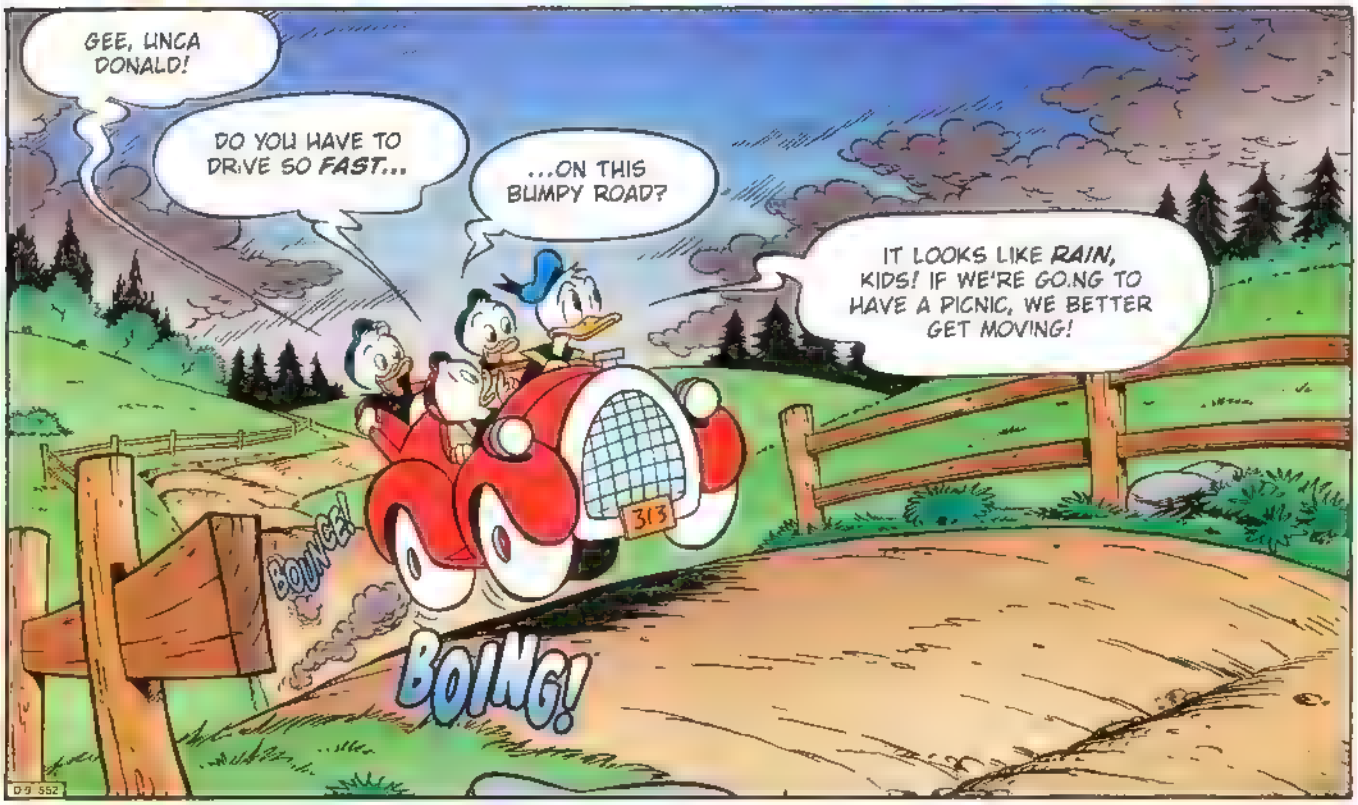
MAGGIE! WHAT IS IT?
ROSIE! SHE GONE! SHE'S TODDLED OFF INTO THE FOREST!
THERE ARE STEEP CLIFFS AND DEEP GULLIES IN THOSE WOODS! ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN TO HER!
CALM DOWN! WE'LL FIND HER!
TH' RAPTORS! THEY KNOW WHUT'S UP! I CAN'T HOLD ON TO 'EM!
GREEE!
DON'T WORRY! I'M IN THE SADDLE!
JUST KEEP THET KID SAFE, MICKEY!
OKAY! SO I CAN'T CONTROL THESE BEASTIES! BETTER HANG ON TIGHT AND SEE WHERE THEY TAKE ME!
WE'RE WAY OFF THE TRAIL! HOPE I HAVEN'T BITTEN OFF MORE THAN I CAN CHEW!
THE RAPTORS ARE IN THEIR ELEMENT NOW! THEY'VE SETTLED INTO HUNTING MODE! IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEY FIND THE CHILD! AND THEN WHAT?

GUESS I'LL FIND OUT NOW! THERE'S ROSIE! WE'VE *FOUND* HER AND SHE'S UNHARMED... FOR THE MOMENT!
YOO-HOO!!
ULP! THE DINOS ARE MAKING A *BEELINE* FOR HER! WHOA! HEAR ME? *WHOA!*
THWOCK!
UNGH!
GREAT! JUST GREAT! *NOW* WHO'S GONNA COME BETWEEN ROSIE AND THOSE RAPTORS?
THEY'RE CLOSING IN! I'LL *NEVER* GET THERE IN TIME!
BUT I'VE GOTTA TRY! DO MY BEST TO KEEP 'EM FROM HURTING A HAIR ON THAT KID'S HEAD!!

RRRRR!
DOGGIES!
NICE DOGGIES! PET DOGGIES!
HRM!
TEE-HEE!
SLURP!
WELL, PICKLE ME AND CALL ME DILL! THESE FELLAHS NEVER WANTED ANYTHING MORE THAN TO SAVE ROSIE!
GRRR?
NOW WHAT'S GOT THE RAPTORS' ATTENTION? OH! IT'S THAT SAME LITTLE SQUIRREL!
THEY'RE CHASING IT AGAIN! WHAT GOES ON HERE?
I GET IT! THOSE HUNGRY DINOS JUST CRAVE A TASTE OF THE BERRIES THE LITTLE DUDE IS STASHING AWAY!
YUM!

AND SO...
OH, MICKEY! YOU BROUGHT MY BABY BACK SAFE AND SOUND!
DON'T THANK ME! THANK THE RAPTORS! THEY WERE THE ONES WHO FOUND YOUR LITTLE TYKE!
BUT MICK! WHUT ABOUT 'EM CHANGIN' BACK TO... YOU KNOW... THEIR OLD WAYS?
OH, THEY NEVER REALLY REVERTED TO PRIMAL CARNIVORES! THEY WERE JUST EXCITED BY THE FOREST!
BUT THEY DIDN'T EAT THET FRUIT!
THAT'S BECAUSE THEIR NOSES WERE FULL OF PER-FUME! IN FACT, THEY RAN INTO THE SURF TO WASH THE STINKY STUFF AWAY!
GOSH! I SORTA FEEL BAD THET I EVER MISTRUSTED 'EM!
GUESS THEY WERE PERFECTLY SUITED TO THIS AD CAMPAIGN ALL ALONG!
FORGET THE OLD CAMPAIGN! THIS NEW APPROACH IS PERFECT...
"FEELING LOST? GET RAPTOR! THE FRAGRANCE THAT COMES TO YOUR RESCUE!"
The End

Walt Disney's Donald Duck in Believe!


GEE, UNCA DONALD!
DO YOU HAVE TO DRIVE SO FAST...
...ON THIS BUMPY ROAD?
IT LOOKS LIKE RAIN, KIDS! IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A PICNIC, WE BETTER GET MOVING!
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BOUNCE!
BOING!
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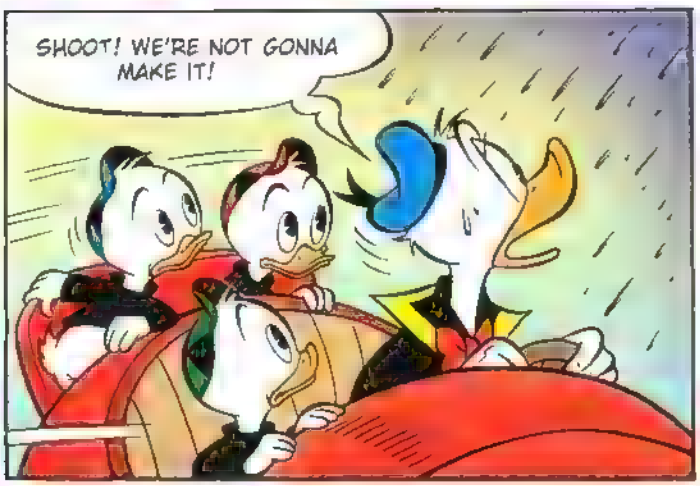
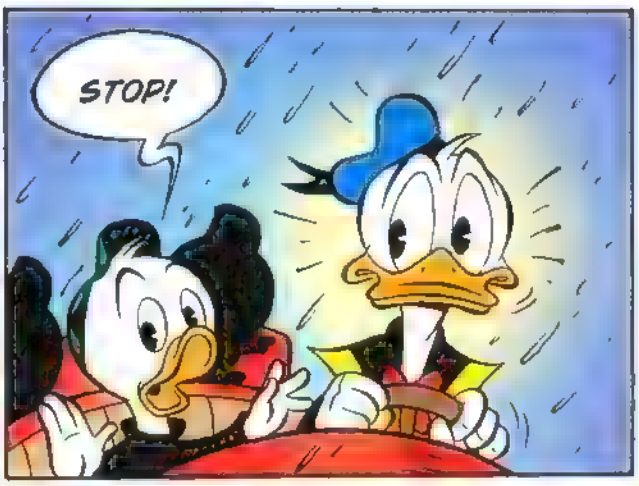
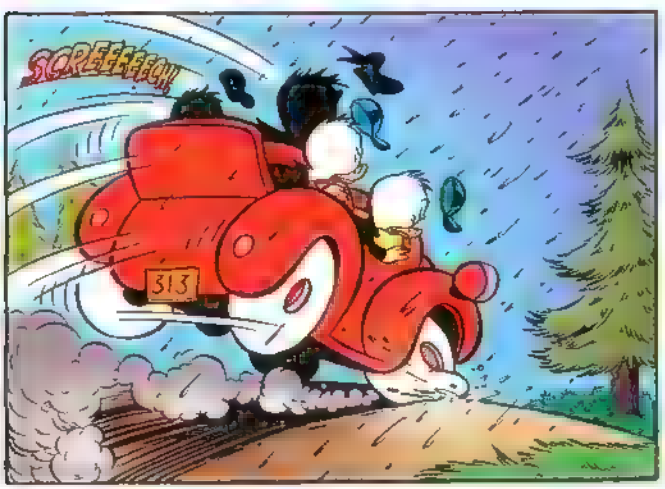
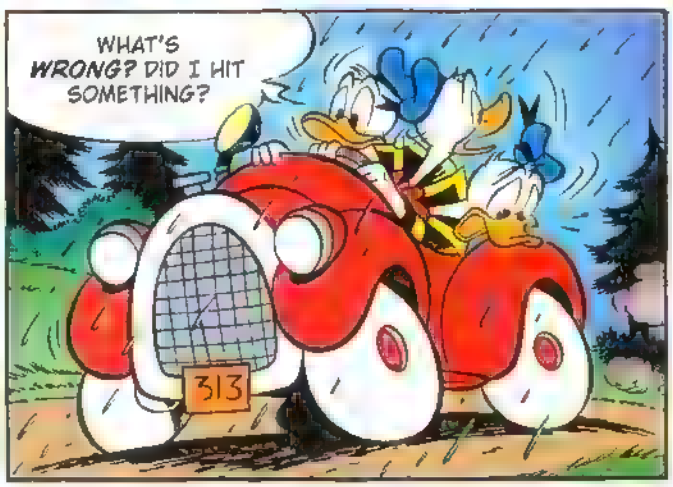






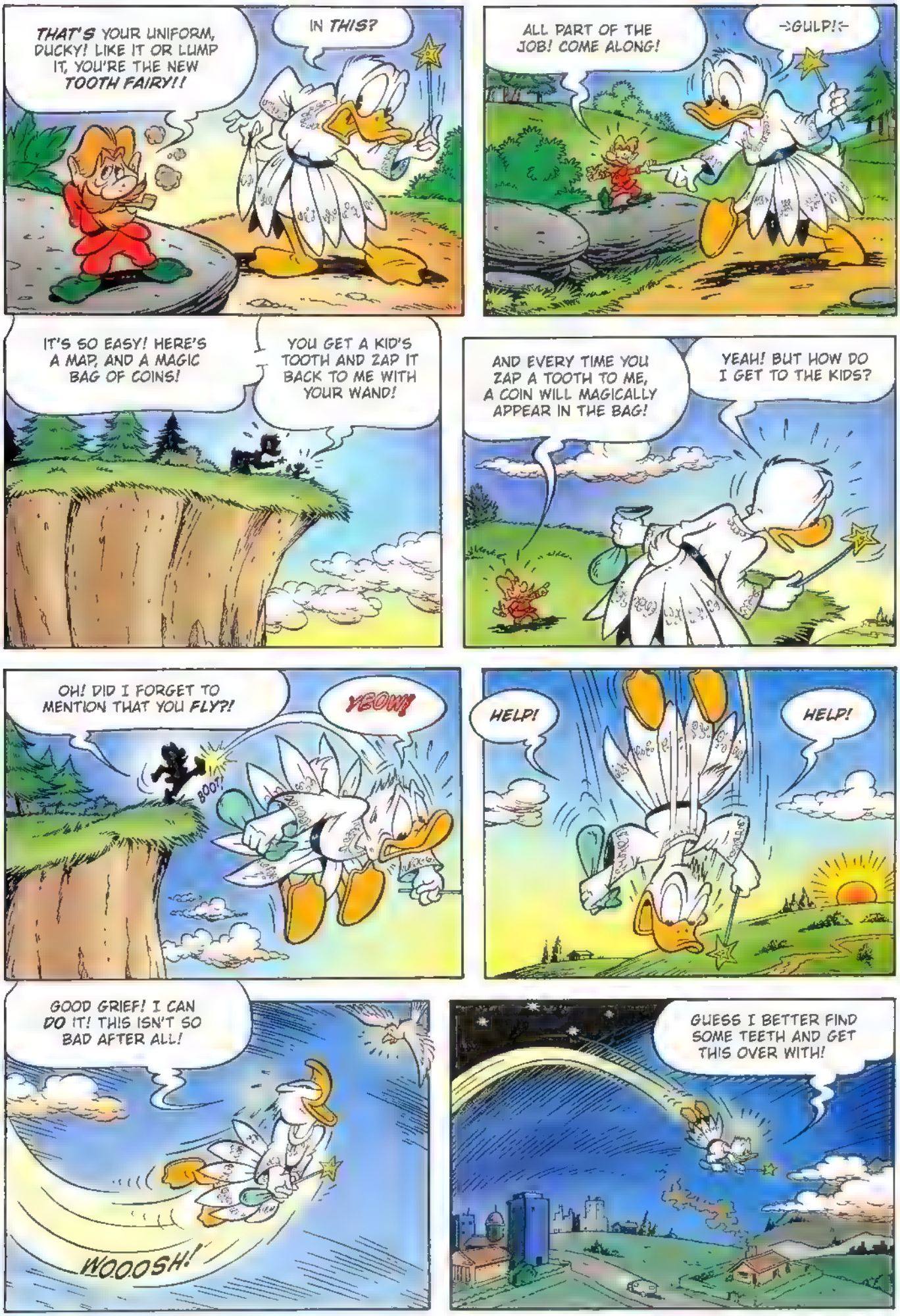


NOPE, NOTHING! WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU, LOUIE? YOU COULDA GOTTEN US ALL KILLED!
LOOK! DON'T YOU SEE IT, UNCA DONALD?
WHAT!? YOU BOYS ARE STARTING TO INFURIATE ME! I DON'T SEE ANYTHING!
A RAINBOW!
AT THE END OF WHICH THERE'S ALWAYS...
...A POT OF GOLD!
1-2-3-4-
THE RAIN'S STOPPED AFTER ALL! MIGHT AS WELL HAVE OUR PICNIC RIGHT HERE!
HEY! AREN'T YOU GONNA HELP ME SET UP THIS PICNIC STUFF?
WE'LL COME BACK AND WE'LL BE RICH!
WE CAN CELEBRATE WITH A PICNIC FEAST!
GRRR! "UNCA DONALD DO THIS, UNCA DONALD DO THAT!" IT'S TIME THEY GREW UP AND STOPPED CHASING DREAMS!
I HATE TO BUST THAT CHILDISH BUBBLE OF YOURS, KIDDOS, BUT THERE AIN'T NO POT OF GOLD AT THE END OF THE RAINBOW!
WH-WH-WHAT?
BROTHERS, I THINK OUR UNCA'S TALKING CRAZY!

SIT DOWN OVER HERE AND RELAX, UNCA DONALD! YOU'LL SOON BE JUST FINE!
THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH ME! IT'S YOU KIDS WHO'VE GOT A SCREW LOOSE, BELIEVING IN A BUNCH OF NONSENSE!
-GASP!-
NOW I'M GONNA SET YOU STRAIGHT! THERE'S NO POINT IN BELIEVING DUMB OLD FAIRY TALES!
SURE! AND I GUESS THE EASTER BUNNY IS MAKE-BELIEVE TOO?
CORRECT! YOU'VE FINALLY GRASPED THE CONCEPT!
OH YEAH?
AND AT CHRISTMAS, SANTA AND HIS REINDEER, ARE JUST A BUNCH OF BALONEY?
RIGHT!
WELL, WE KNOW BETTER, DON'T WE, FELLAS?
YOU BET!
LET'S FIND OUR GOLD!
WE BET YOU GET NOTHIN' THIS CHRISTMAS, MR. KILLJOY!
OH YEAH?

IT'S TIME THOSE BOYS LEARNED THE HARD FACTS OF LIFE!
NOTHING COMES EASY!
EXCEPT A PEACEFUL, QUIET NAP UNDER A TREE THAT CAN'T TALK BACK!
HUM...THIS IS NICE
BOP!
OUCH!
STUPID SQUIRRELS! TAKE THAT!
MISSED ME!
WHAT!?
WHERE ARE YOU!
WHO ARE YOU?
SO MANY QUESTIONS!
=GULP!=
I'M KNOWN AS THE SPIRIT OF INNOCENCE! BUT YOU CAN CALL ME SPIT!
WHAT ARE YOU? SOME KINDA TALKING MUTANT CHIPMUNK?
HEY, DUCKY! PUT ME DOWN!

Y-Y-YOU D-D-DON'T B-B-BELIEVE, D-D-DO Y-Y-YOU?
BELIEVE IN WHAT?!
RATTLE! RATTLE!
GREAT GROANING PUMPKINS! YOU'RE GONNA BE A TOUGH NUT TO CRACK!
LOOK, BUB! YOU JUST DISILLUSIONED THREE WEE, INNOCENT LADS! AN' NOW YOU GOTTA PAY THE PRICE!
BUT I ONLY TOLD 'EM THE TRUTH!
NOPE! YOU TRIED TO INFLUENCE THEM INTO BECOMING NON-BELIEVERS, LIKE YOURSELF! AN' THAT'S BAD!
SO? WHAT'S A PINT-SIZED SPUD LIKE YOU GONNA DO ABOUT IT?
FUNNY YOU SHOULD ASK!
HEY!
POOF!
WHAT'S HAPPENED AND WHERE ARE MY CLOTHES?
JUST WAIT AND SEE, DUCKY!
WHAT'S THIS? I LOOK LIKE A GIRL!
POOF!


THAT'S YOUR UNIFORM, DUCKY! LIKE IT OR LUMP IT, YOU'RE THE NEW TOOTH FAIRY!!
IN THIS?
ALL PART OF THE JOB! COME ALONG!
=GULP!=
IT'S SO EASY! HERE'S A MAP, AND A MAGIC BAG OF COINS!
YOU GET A KID'S TOOTH AND ZAP IT BACK TO ME WITH YOUR WAND!
AND EVERY TIME YOU ZAP A TOOTH TO ME, A COIN WILL MAGICALLY APPEAR IN THE BAG!
YEAH! BUT HOW DO I GET TO THE KIDS?
OH! DID I FORGET TO MENTION THAT YOU FLY?!
YEOW!
BOOF!
HELP!
HELP!
GOOD GRIEF! I CAN DO IT! THIS ISN'T SO BAD AFTER ALL!
WOOOSH!
GUESS I BETTER FIND SOME TEETH AND GET THIS OVER WITH!

THIS DUMB MAP IS HARD TO READ! I THINK THIS IS MY FIRST STOP!
SPLAT!
ZOW!
YIKES! THAT MEAN LI'L SPIT DIDN'T TELL ME HOW TO PUT ON THE BRAKES!
AHH! MY FIRST HAPPY CUSTOMER!
ZZZZZZZ
HEY!
WHOOPS! MAYBE I READ THAT MAP WRONG!
ZOOOM!
WOOSH!
AHA! I'M SURE THIS IS THE RIGHT PLACE!
AWW! SWEET LI'L BILLIE BOB IS FAST ASLEEP! TIME TO DO MY DUTY!
ZZZZZZ

LET'S SEE IF SPIT KNOWS WHAT HE'S TALKIN' ABOUT! TAKE THE TOOTH AND... YESSIREEBOB! IT'S GONE!
POOF!
AN' HERE'S THE QUARTER! BUT IF I LEAVE IT UNDER BILLY BOB'S PILLOW, HE'LL JUST BUY CANDY THAT'LL ROT HIS NEW TOOTH!
ZZZZZZ
I'LL KEEP IT MYSELF! NO-ONE'LL EVER KNOW!
THREE HUNDRED QUARTERS LATER-
I'VE PREVENTED A LOTTA TOOTH DECAY BY KEEPING THE LOOT! BUT IT'S GETTING HARD TO FLY WITH ALL THESE COINS! I BETTER HEAD BACK!
CLINK!
CHINK!
ABOUT TIME, DUCKY!
I'M NEW TO THIS FAIRY BUSINESS!
CLINK!
CLINK!
CHINK!
SAY! YOU LOOK KINDA LUMPY!
UMM...THE KIDS LEFT ME LOTSA TREATS...
KIDS LEAVE SANTA TREATS, DUCKY! WHATCHA GOT STUFFED UNDER YOUR GOWN?
HEY! LEGGO!
CHING!
CLINK!
CLINK!
FOR SHAME! I'VE SEEN SOME LOUSY TOOTH FAIRIES IN MY TIME, BUT YOU'RE THE WORST! GET BACK AND RETURN EVERY CENT!

LET'S SEE! I VISITED THIS HOUSE EARLIER! HOPE THE KID'S STILL ASLEEP!
ALL CLEAR! NO-ONE IN BED!
WHOOPS!
HEY! WHATCHA DOIN' IN MY ROOM, MISTER?
ER...YOU'RE GONNA FIND THIS HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT I'M THE TOOTH FAIRY...
TOOTH FAIRY? SO YOU'RE THE GUY WHO RIPPED ME OFF ME AN' DIDN'T LEAVE ANY DOUGH!
-GULP!- AREN'T YOU KINDA BIG TO BE LOSIN' BABY TEETH?
YEAH! LOSE A COUPLE OF YOUR OWN!!
BAM!
POOF!
TSK! TSK! FIGHTING WITH THE CHILDREN! YOU'RE HOPELESS!!
AND YOU'VE DONE SUCH A TERRIBLE JOB THAT NOW I GOTTA TAKE OVER! GIVE ME THAT WAND!
GLADLY!
SNATCH!
DOES THIS MEAN I GET TO GO HOME?
YEAH! I'M GONNA ENJOY THIS!
BAM!

UNCA DONALD, YOU WERE RIGHT! WE DIDN'T FIND A POT OF GOLD!
BOOP!
BUT, WE DID FIND THIS BEAUTIFUL GOLDEN STAR!
CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?
SURE, KIDS! I'M SORRY FOR WHAT I SAID EARLIER! I'M GONNA GIVE THE EASTER BUNNY A BIG BUNCH OF CARROTS THIS YEAR!
WHAT ABOUT SANTA?
I'LL MAKE A BIG BATCH OF COOKIES SAINT NICK'LL NEVER FORGET!
BOYS, I'VE LEARNED A VALUABLE LESSON TODAY!
NEVER GROW UP SO MUCH THAT YOU QUIT BELIEVING IN WONDERFUL THINGS!
YOU KNOW, SANTA...
...I JUST LOVE A HAPPY ENDING!
sniff!

"Mickey's Inferno" in Walt Disney's Comics and Stories *666 generated the most number of letters we've received for a single issue thus far. Enough that last month we promised to print more in this column. True to our word, here they are:*

"A good deed gets you out?" exclaims Mickey in Guido Martina's stunning adaptation of Dante's classic poem, presented in *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* 666. If so, then boy, Mickey has it a whole lot easier than did Dante! And that's all right, because while Dante's gruesome descent into *The Inferno* is a deserved classic, I'll take Martina's Disney version anytime. I'd never heard of this story before seeing it in print, but I can tell why Dwight Decker writes of it as an undiscovered classic. What a story! Angelo Bioletto's artwork is breathtaking. Absolutely spectacular. Decker's translation was phenomenal. David Gerstein's transformation into rhyme was his best work, and by so wide a margin it's practically incomparable (and he's so good to begin with even his lesser stuff is good, too). Martina's layout, pacing, and design were magnificent. This story was just incredible. One of the best of all time, without a doubt.

Which leads me to something: I know there are a lot of 1930s and 1940s *Topolino* stories out there, including some with Donald Duck. I am 100 percent in favor of printing these stories. Actually, that goes for any of the other European material from that time period as well. Hopefully we can see more of these stories in the future.

The rest of this issue was really top-notch as well. Daan Jippes was in typically high form, and I think we've really got something with Per Erik Hedman's Formula One series. I'm by no means a NASCAR fan, preferring to stick to the "big three" of American sports, but I do like a good McDuck-Glomgold story. I look forward to future installments.

Robert Hutchings
via email

First of all let me introduce myself. I am Alessandro Cella from Roma, Italy. Maybe you know me as the one who, in the last year, indexed *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* and *Uncle Scrooge* on the INDUCKS website. Now, I imagine you're thinking "it's strange for someone from Italy to read American Disney comic books; he lives in a country where creators such as G.B. Carpi, Giorgio Cavazzano, Marco Rota, Romano Scarpa and others made and are still making Disney comics history; so why does he buy Gemstone comics?" Sometimes I ask myself this question, and every time the answer is "Because I like all Disney comics, from all over the world, and because I like to compare the Italian Disney comic stories with the others, and I think reading USA comic books is a good way to do that."

I began my experience some years ago, with Gladstone and Don Rosa's *Life and Times of Scrooge McDuck*. I was disappointed in 1999 when the USA publications ended, and I was among the first (to be truthful, here in Italy, I was maybe the first of all!) who made the effort to acquire the new Gemstone American Disney comic books. For all these reasons, I was really overjoyed to read in *WDC&S* 666 the first English language version of *"L'Inferno di Topolino"* ("Mickey's Inferno"). Even if edited from its original version, it was still a wonderful surprise for me.

So I'm taking this opportunity to thank you and also to let you know how much I like your work (not only *WDC&S,* but also *Uncle Scrooge* and your special publications like *Mickey and the Gang* and the new edition of *Life and Times of Scrooge McDuck*), and I want to encourage you to keep them coming. When you start to publish some of Floyd Gottfredson's complete stories I am sure you'll reach the top.

By the way, Disney fans from all over the world who want to talk about Disney comics can find me and lots of other Italian fans at *www.papersera.net* in the Forum section (my nickname is Alle, and I am the foreign publications section moderator, where I post indexes of *WDC&S, US,* and other comic books every month). The site and the forum are in Italian, but there's also a section for foreign users, who are really welcome.

Alessandro Cella
via email

"Mickey's Inferno" is truly a classic that we've wanted to reprint in English for some time. As you correctly point out, our version is one that was edited for length for a later Italian reprint some years ago.

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